

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3848  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2017**

**PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES**

**3848. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:  
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SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:**

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the Primary Health Centres (PHC) operating in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is a shortage of doctors, trained staff and medical equipments in these PHCs especially in rural areas;
- (c) if so, the steps taken to remove these shortcomings;
- (d) whether the Government has received proposals to open new PHC from the States and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if so, the funds allocated for this purpose?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)**

- (a): The Primary Health Centres (PHC) operating in the Country, State/ UT wise, as per Rural Health Statistics (RHS) 2016 is given at Annexure-I.
- (b): There is some shortage of doctors, trained staff and medical equipments in PHCs in rural areas. The details of shortfall of doctors and health assistants in PHCs is given at Annexure II.
- (c): Public health being a State subject, the primary responsibility to ensure availability of doctors, trained staff and medical equipments in public health facilities lies with the State Governments. However, under the National Health Mission (NHM), financial and technical support is provided to States/UTs to strengthen their healthcare systems including procurement of equipments and insourcing or engagement of doctors and other medical personnel on contractual basis, based on the requirements posed by the States/UTs in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

Support is also provided to States/UTs for hard area allowance to doctors for serving in rural and remote areas and for their residential quarters so that they find it attractive to serve in public health facilities in such areas.

Some states have introduced mandatory rural postings for medical graduates from government institutes to improve the availability of doctors.

Further, in order to encourage doctors to work in remote and difficult areas, the Medical Council of India, with the previous approval of Central Government, has amended the Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, 2000 to provide:

- (i) 50% reservation in Post Graduate Diploma Courses for Medical Officers in the Government service, who have served for at least three years in remote and difficult areas; and
- (ii) Incentive at the rate of 10% the marks obtained for each year in service in remote or difficult areas as upto the maximum of 30% of the marks obtained in the entrance test for admissions in Post Graduate Medical Courses.

(d): The proposals in the form of Programme Implementation Plans for 2017-18 that may include opening new PHCs are available at '<http://nrhm.gov.in/nrhm-in-state/state-program-implementation-plans-pips.html>'

(e): Under the NHM, funds are allocated to the States/ UTs pool-wise and not individual activity-wise. The details regarding funds approved for construction of new PHCs and for renovation of PHCs in the year 2016-17 as per the proposals from the States are given at Annexure-III.

<b>NUMBER OF PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES (PHCs ) FUNCTIONING AS ON 31<sup>ST</sup> March 2016 as per RHS 2016</b>		
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Nos</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	1075
2	Arunachal Pradesh	143
3	Assam	1014
4	Bihar	1802
5	Chhattisgarh	790
6	Goa	22
7	Gujarat	1314
8	Haryana	474
9	Himachal Pradesh	518
10	Jammu & Kashmir	637
11	Jharkhand	327
12	Karnataka	2353
13	Kerala	824
14	Madhya Pradesh	1171
15	Maharashtra	1811
16	Manipur	85
17	Meghalaya	109
18	Mizoram	57
19	Nagaland	126
20	Odisha <sup>1</sup>	1305
21	Punjab	427
22	Rajasthan	2080
23	Sikkim	24
24	Tamil Nadu	1368
25	Telangana	668
26	Tripura	94
27	Uttarakhand	257
28	Uttar Pradesh	3497
29	West Bengal	909
30	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	22
31	Chandigarh	3
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	11
33	Daman & Diu	4
34	Delhi	5
35	Lakshadweep	4
36	Puducherry	24
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>25354</b>

## Annexure-II

Status of PHCs functioning, Manpower (Doctors, Health Assistants Male, Health Assistant Female) As per Rural Health Statistics (As on 31st March 2016)											
S. No.	State/UT	No. of PHCs FUNCTIONING	DOCTORS+ AT PHCs			HEALTH ASSISTANTS [FEMALE] / LHV at PHCs			HEALTH ASSISTANT [MALE] at PHCs		
			Required <sup>1</sup>	In Position	Shortfall	Required <sup>1</sup>	In Position	Shortfall	Required <sup>1</sup>	In Position	Shortfall
			[R]	[P]	[R-P]	[R]	[P]	[R-P]	[R]	[P]	[R-P]
1	Andhra Pradesh	1075	1075	1412	*	1075	3038	*	1075	3457	*
2	Arunachal Pradesh	143	143	122	21	143	6	137	143	81	62
3	Assam	1014	1014	932	82	1014	308	706	1014	106	908
4	Bihar	1802	1802	1786	16	1802	95	1707	1802	212	1590
5	Chhattisgarh	790	790	344	446	790	576	214	790	459	331
6	Goa	22	22	56	*	22	9	13	22	0	22
7	Gujarat	1314	1314	1105	209	1314	1007	307	1314	862	452
8	Haryana	474	474	489	*	474	286	188	474	233	241
9	Himachal Pradesh	518	518	424	94	518	127	391	518	69	449
10	Jammu & Kashmir	637	637	761	*	637	105	532	637	26	611
11	Jharkhand	327	327	271	56	327	19	308	327	19	308
12	Karnataka	2353	2353	2133	220	2353	1038	1315	2353	3378	*
13	Kerala	824	824	1169	*	824	13	811	824	2197	*
14	Madhya Pradesh	1171	1171	946	225	1171	1314	*	1171	288	883
15	Maharashtra	1811	1811	2927	*	1811	1800	11	1811	1620	191
16	Manipur	85	85	194	*	85	59	26	85	65	20
17	Meghalaya	109	109	105	4	109	75	34	109	61	48
18	Mizoram	57	57	71	*	57	19	38	57	22	35
19	Nagaland	126	126	120	6	126	24	102	126	53	73
20	Odisha#	1305	1305	959	346	1305	802	503	1305	0	1305
21	Punjab	427	427	494	*	427	467	*	427	264	163
22	Rajasthan	2080	2080	2422	*	2080	1106	974	2080	34	2046
23	Sikkim	24	24	26	*	24	16	8	24	1	23
24	Tamil Nadu	1368	1368	2751	*	1368	991	377	1368	1013	355
25	Telangana	668	668	1024	*	668	944	*	668	0	668
26	Tripura	94	94	147	*	94	0	94	94	41	53
27	Uttarakhand	257	257	215	42	257	155	102	257	13	244
28	Uttar Pradesh	3497	3497	2209	1288	3497	1916	1581	3497	954	2543
29	West Bengal	909	909	721	188	909	121	788	909	86	823
30	A & N Islands	22	22	36	*	22	20	2	22	11	11
31	Chandigarh	3	3	2	1	3	3	0	3	NA	NA
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	11	11	11	0	11	0	11	11	7	4

33	Daman & Diu	4	4	7	*	4	0	4	4	2	2
34	Delhi	5	5	20	*	5	8	*	5	0	5
35	Lakshadweep	4	4	7	*	4	1	3	4	0	4
36	Puducherry	24	24	46	*	24	12	12	24	34	*
	<b>All India</b>	<b>25354</b>	<b>25354</b>	<b>26464</b>	<b>3244</b>	<b>25354</b>	<b>16480</b>	<b>11299</b>	<b>25354</b>	<b>15668</b>	<b>14473</b>

Note:

# State reported that PHCs including 1226 PHCs(N) & 79 Other Hospitals.

1 One per Primary Health Centre

NA: Not Available.

For Health Assistant (Male) Data for 2015 used for the states Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura

For Health Assistant (Male) Data for 2013 used for the state of Odhisa

±: Allopathic Doctors

\* Surplus.

All India figures for Vacancy and Shortfall are the totals of State-wise Vacancy and Shortfall ignoring surplus in some States / UTs

**Funds approved to States/ UTs for setting up and renovation of PHCs under Health System Strengthening**

Sl. No	State	2016-17
		Hospital Strengthening of PHCs and New Constructions/ Renovation and Setting up of PHCs under Health System Strengthening
		<u>Rs. In Lakhs</u>
		State Programme Implementation Plan Approval
A. High Focus States		
1	Bihar	2914.00
2	Chattisgarh	702.06
3	Himachal Pradesh	95.26
4	Jammu & Kashmir	260.18
5	Jharkhand	1656.00
6	Madhya Pradesh	1806.50
7	Orissa	493.04
8	Rajasthan	11114.75
9	Uttar Pradesh	387.50
10	Uttarakhand	50.14
	Sub Total	19479.43
B. NE States		
11	Arunachal Pradesh	143.96
12	Assam	1609.54
13	Manipur	448.44
14	Meghalaya	10.00
15	Mizoram	0.00
16	Nagaland	77.09
17	Sikkim	50.00
18	Tripura	650.00
	Sub Total	2989.03
C. Non-High Focus States		
19	Andhra Pradesh	0.00
20	Goa	0.00
21	Gujarat	0.00
22	Haryana	0.00
23	Karnataka	2561.98
24	Kerala	392.00
25	Maharashtra	3000.00
26	Punjab	0.00
27	Tamil Nadu	480.00
28	Telangana	0.00
29	West Bengal	27.50
	Sub Total	6461.48

<b>D. Small States/UTs</b>		
30	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	28.60
31	Chandigarh	0.00
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.00
33	Daman & Diu	0.00
34	Delhi	0.00
35	Lakshadweep	0.00
36	Puducherry	0.00
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>28.60</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>28958.54</b>

Note:

1. SPIP- State Programme Implementation Plan.
2. Utilization includes Utilization against Central Release, State share & Unspent balances at the beginning of the year and it is updated upto 31.12.2016.
3. The above figures are as per FMR submitted by the State/UTs.