

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1341
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND DECEMBER, 2017**

SHORTAGE OF NURSES

1341. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

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

- (a) the estimated number of nurses working in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether there is shortage of nurses in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government to improve nurse-patient ratio in the country?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): The registered number of nurses working in the country is at **Annexure – I**.

(b) & (c): As per Indian Nursing Council (INC) records, there are around 28.8 lakh nursing personnel registered in the country as on 31-12-2016. Assuming 60% availability in the case of Registered Nurses & Registered Midwives (RN&RM) and 80% availability in the case of Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANM)/Lady Health Visitors (LHV), it is estimated that around 19.1 lakh nursing personnel are available for active services, which gives a Nurse-Population ratio of about 1:670 (Population taken as 128 Crores). There are around 8000 Nursing Institutes in the country producing about 3 lakh nursing personnel annually, to meet the requirement of nursing personnel in the country.

Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Strengthening/upgradation of Nursing Services (Auxiliary Nurse Midwives/ General Nurse Midwives), the Government has approved 128 Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANM) and 137 General Nurse Midwives (GNM) Schools to be set up in the country. The details are enclosed as **Annexure – II**.

STATE WISE NUMBER OF REGISTERED NURSES IN INDIA

S.No.	STATE	Total number of Registered Nurses & Auxiliary Nurses in India as on 31/12/2016		
		ANM	RN&RM	LHV
1.	Andhra Pradesh	138435	232621	2480
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	971	938	15
3.	Assam	27624	21079	320
4.	Bihar	8624	9413	511
5.	Chattisgarh	13329	13048	1352
6.	Delhi	4325	61575	NA
7.	Goa	-	-	-
8.	Gujarat	44402	108476	NA
9.	Haryana	24675	28356	694
10.	Himachal Pradesh	11673	20934	500
11.	Jharkhand	4755	3310	142
12.	Karnataka	54039	231643	6840
13.	Kerala	30173	246161	8507
14.	Madhya Pradesh	39563	118793	1731
15.	Maharashtra	60837	120623	572
16.	Meghalaya	1584	4571	193
17.	Manipur	3621	7835	NA
18.	Mizoram	2102	3405	NA
19.	Odisha	62159	75575	238
20.	Punjab	23029	76680	2584
21.	Rajasthan	108688	200171	2732
22.	Tamil Nadu	56630	262718	11180
23.	Tripura	2066	2827	148
24.	Uttar Pradesh	53515	62617	2763
25.	Uttarakhand	1864	1513	11
26.	West Bengal	60739	60753	12854
27.	Telangana	1857	4901	-
	Total	841279	1980536	56367

ANM : Auxiliary Nurse Midwives , RN&RM: Registered Nurses & Registered Midwives

LHV: Lady Health Visitors

ANNEXURE - II

State-wise details for approved/sanctioned Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANM)/ General Nurse Midwives (GNM) Schools

Sl.No.	State	ANM Schools (Districts)	GNM Schools (Districts)
1	Andhra Pradesh	Narsapuram	Tirupathi
		Vijaywada	Eluru
		Kakinada	Ongole
			Karimnagar
2	Arunachal Pradesh	Lohit	U.Subansiri
		Tawang	East Siang (Pasighat)
		West Siang	Naharlagun (Papampure)
3	Assam	Baksa	Bongaigaon
		Udalguri	
		Chirang	
		Kamrup	
4	Bihar	Aurangabad	Banka
		Jamui	Buxar
		Kaimur (Bhabhua)	Jehanabad
		Khagaria	Saran
		Lakhisarai	Seikhpur
		Nawada	Vaishali
		Sheohar	Kishanganj
		Siwan	Purnia
		Supaul	Sasaram
		Darbanga	Madhepur
		Arwal	West Champaran
		Araria	Katihar
			Saharsa
5	Chattisgarh	Bijapur	Dantewada
		Kawardha	Janjgir-Champa
		Narayanpur	Kanker
		Baster	Korba
		Bilaspur	Korea
		Mahasamund	
6	Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Anand
		Jamnagar	Bhavnagar
		Patan	Kheda
		Valsad	Porbander
		Tapi	
7	Haryana	Chakhri(Dadri)	Palwal
		Revari	Mewat
		Punchkula (Kalka)	Kurukshetra
8	Himachal Pradesh	Kullu	Nahan
		Solan	Chamba
			Mandi

9	Jammu & Kashmir	Bandipora	Budgam
		Kargil	Gangerbal
		Kishtwar	Kulgam
		Ramban	Pulwama
		Bhadarwah	Reasi
		Billawar	Samba
		Ananthnag	Shopian
		Thanmandi	Udhampur
		Surankote	Leh
		Thathri	Kathua
		Kokarnag	Doda
		Khan Sahib	Rajouri
		Avantipura	
		Handwara	
10	Jharkhand	Chatra	Gumla
		Godda	Latehar
		Khunti	Saraikela
		Garwa	Hazaribagh
		Ramgarh	Palamu
			Ranchi
			Jamtara
11	Madhya Pradesh	Annupur	Mandsour
		Alirajpur	Dewas
		Ashoknagar	
		Burhanpur	
		Dindori	
		Harda	
		Neemuch	
		Rewa	
		Shajapur	
		Sheopur	
		Singrauli	
		Umaria	
12	Maharashtra	Pusad	Gadchiewli
		Washim	Washim
		Sindhudurg	Nandurbar
			Ratnagiri
			Sindhudurg
			Bhandara
			Amravati
			Gondia
13	Manipur	Nil	Bishnupur
			Chandel
			Senapati
			Tamenglong
			Thoubal
			Ukhrul

14	Meghalaya	Shilling	East Garo Hills
		Jaintia Hills	Ri Bhoi
			South Garo Hills
			West Khasi Hills
15	Mizoram	Lawngtlai	Champhai
		Mammit	Kolasib
		Aizwal	Saiha
			Serchhip
16	Nagaland	Zunheboto	Mon
		Kohima	Phek
		Mokokchung	Tuensang
17	Orissa	Boudh	Nabrangpur
		Subarnapur	Kalahandi
		Gajapati	Sundergarh
		Raigada	Khandhamal
		Malkangiri	Dhenkanal
			Keonjhar
			Mayurbhanj
			Koraput
			Balasore
18	Puducherry	Mahe	Karaikal
		Yanam	
19	Punjab	Kapurthala	Rupnagar
			Bhatinda
			Gurdaspur
			Sangrur
			Patiala
20	Rajasthan	Pratapgarh	Baran
		Alwar	Bikaner
		Udaipur	Nagour
			Jhunjhun
			Chittorgarh
21	Sikkim	East Sikkim	Nil
		West Sikkim	
22	Tamil Nadu	Namakkal	Nil
		Theni	
		Shiv ganga	
23	Tripura	West Tripura	Nil
24	Uttarkhand	Bageshwar	Haridwar
		Champawat	Nainital
		Rudraprayag	Roorkhi
		Uttar kashi	
		Haldwani	

25	Uttar Pradesh	Auraiya	Ambedkar Nagar
		Balrampur	Bundaun
		Bulandshahar	Farrukhabad
		Chandauli	Firozabad
		Mahamaya Nagar	Hardoi
		Jyotiba Phule Nagar	Jalaun
		Kanpur Dehat	Kannauj
		Kanshiram	Mahoba
		Kaushambi	Siddharth Nagar
		Kusinagar	Unnao
		Lalitpur	Kheri
		Maharajganj	Mainpuri
		Sant Kabir Nagar	Faizabad
		Sant Ravidas Nagar	Rampur
		Sharavasti	Balia
		Sonbhadra	Gonda
		Amethi	Morarabad
		Fatehpur Sikri	Jhansi
		Sambhal	Barabanki
		Etah	Aligarh
		Mau	Raibrali
		Jounpur	Etawa
		Sultanpur	Ghazipur
26	West Bengal	Utari Dinajpur	Ghatal
		Chanchal	Barasat
		Nadia	Maldha
		South Paragnas	Jangirpur
			West Madinpur
			Hawrah
			Kolkata N
			N. Paragnas
	Total	128	137
