2571. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS, be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who have received grants under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP);
(b) the number of centres opened under the above scheme and its status thereof;
(c) the total number of persons who have benefited under the scheme in the country and the target fixed to provide benefits of the scheme to the masses;
(d) the latest status in this regard; and
(e) whether the scheme has achieved its target, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
(SHRI D. V. SADANANDA GOWDA)

(a) As on 30.06.2019, 4332 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) have received grants under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP).

(b) As on 30.06.2019, 5391 PMBJKs are opened under the PMBJP scheme.

(c) PMBJKs are retail outlets selling generic medicines at very affordable prices directly to people. The data on number of persons to whom affordable medicines have been sold under the scheme is not available.

(d) and (e) The target under the scheme was to open 1000 PMBJKs in each of the financial years 2017-18, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. The target was achieved in financial year 2017-18 and 2018-19. In the current financial year, 248 PMBJKs have opened as on 30.06.2019.

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