

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. 356
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th March, 2023

Sale of AYUSH Medicines in Jan Aushadhi Kendras

†*356. **DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:**
SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has started/proposes to start sale of AYUSH medicines in Jan Aushadhi Kendras;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are any operational guidelines for the distribution of AYUSH medicines;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of AYUSH medicines/products proposed to be sold at the said kendras and the nature of infections these medicines are prescribed for treatments?

ANSWER

MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
(Dr. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

- (a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of the LOK SABHA STARRED Q.NO. 356 (16th POSITION) for answer on 24.03.2023 raised by DR. MANOJ RAJORIA, SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI regarding Sale of AYUSH Medicines in Jan Aushadhi Kendras

Under the *Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana* (PMBJP) implemented by the Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI), a society under the aegis of the Department of Pharmaceuticals, some AYUSH products, viz., Ayu Raksha Kit, Bal Raksha Kit, Ayush-64 tablet and Jan Aushadhi Chyawanprash Special have already been included in the product basket.

While Ayu Raksha Kit, Bal Raksha Kit and Ayush-64 tablet are being procured from M/s Indian Medicines Pharmaceutical Corporation Limited (IMPCL), a Government of India Undertaking, Jan Aushadhi Chyawanprash Special is being procured from World Health Organization – Good Manufacturing Practices (WHO-GMP) certified manufacturer after following due tender process.

PMBI continuously strives to enhance its product basket so as to serve the patients. The product basket under the scheme presently comprises of 1,759 medicines and 280 surgicals, which covers all major therapeutic groups such as Cardiovascular, Anti-cancers, Anti-diabetics, Anti-infective, Anti-allergic, Gastro-intestinal medicines, Nutraceuticals, etc. The AYUSH medicines are mainly in Anti-infective categories. The addition of new drugs is based on demand analysis and recommendations of a Committee of experts at PMBI for reviewing the product basket of drugs available under the scheme.
