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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3972 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023

#### Medicines from Janaushadhi Kendras

3972. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE: SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA: SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

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

- (a) the number of beneficiaries who are purchasing medicines on regular basis from Janaushadhi Kendras in the country, State/UT-wise and district-wise in Karnataka;
- (b) the average annual savings made by customers by purchasing medicines in Janaushadhi Kendras in the country, State/UT-wise and district-wise in Karnataka; and
- (c) the list of top 10 cities with the highest number of Janaushadhi Kendras in the country?

### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)

- (a): As estimated, about 10-12 lakh people all over the country are buying medicines from about 9,200 *Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras* (PMBJKs) on a daily basis. State/UT-wise and district-wise data has, however, been not quantified.
- (b): The annual savings made by customers by purchasing medicines in Janaushadhi Kendras in the country, compared to the prices of branded medicines in the market, is estimated as about Rs. 4,000 crores during the financial year 2020-21, about Rs. 5,300 Crore during financial year 2021-22, and approximately Rs. 6,900 Cr in the current financial year, i.e., 2022-23 till 15.03.2023.
- (c): The list of top 10 cities with highest number of *Janaushadhi Kendras* is as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the City	No. of PMBJKs opened till 28.02.2023
1	Delhi	387
2	Bengaluru	296
3	Thrissur	140
4	Chennai	123
5	Malappuram	121
6	Ernakulam	120
7	Lucknow	100
8	Cuttack	99
9	Surat	88
10	Meerut	87