

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1526
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th July, 2023

Clinical Trials by Biopharma Companies

1526. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government subscribes to the view that the country's top biopharma companies should align their strategy towards tier-1 cities (Mumbai, Delhi, Bengaluru, Chennai) where the higher bed capacity, number of doctors, and presence of tertiary care multi-city hospitals can support enablement efforts of running faster and more efficient clinical trials;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Department of Biotechnology has informed that Under the National Biopharma Mission (NBM), being implemented by Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) establishment of hospital based and field based Clinical Trial Networks/ sites has been supported in different regions of the country and not limited to tier 1 cities alone.

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