

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1584
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28th JULY, 2023**

POSTING OF DOCTORS IN RURAL AREAS

1584. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government is concerned about the shortage of doctors in the rural areas of Chhattisgarh State;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) the district-wise details of the number of doctors in the rural areas of Chhattisgarh;
 - (d) whether the Government has issued any guidelines regarding the posting of doctors in rural areas;
- and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
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(a) to (b): The details of Doctors in the rural area of the country are available at website of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare at the Uniform Resources Locator (URL) as under:
https://main.mohfw.gov.in/sites/default/files/RHS%202021-22_2.pdf

(c): the district-wise details of the number of doctors in the rural areas of Chhattisgarh are given in **Annexure-I**.

(d) to (e) : Under NHM, following types of Guidelines for encouraging doctors to practice in rural and remote areas of the country:

- Hard area allowance to specialist doctors for serving in rural and remote areas and for their residential quarters so that they find it attractive to serve in public health facilities in such areas.
- Honorarium to Gynecologists/ Emergency Obstetric Care (EmoC) trained, Pediatricians & Anesthetist/ Life Saving Anaesthesia Skills (LSAS) trained doctors is also provided to increase availability of specialists for conducting Cesarean Sections in rural & remote area.
- Incentives like special incentives for doctors, incentive for ANM for ensuring timely ANC checkup and recording, incentives for conducting Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health activities.
- States are also allowed to offer negotiable salary to attract specialist including flexibility in strategies such as “You Quote We Pay”.
- Non-Monetary incentives such as preferential admission in post graduate courses for staff serving in difficult areas and improving accommodation arrangement in rural areas have also been introduced under NHM.
- Multi-skilling of doctors is supported under NHM to overcome the shortage of specialists. Skill upgradation of existing HR is another major strategy under NRHM for achieving improvement in health outcomes.

Annexure-I**District-wise list of Doctors of Chhattisgarh**

Sl. No.	District	Doctors					
		Sanction	Regular	Ad-hoc	Bond	Contract	Total
1.	Raipur	116	87	14	68	0	169
2.	Baloda Bazar	73	46	4	23	9	82
3.	Gariaband	55	41	1	13	0	55
4.	Dhamtari	69	38	2	27	0	67
5.	Kawardha	60	36	0	17	5	58
6.	Mahasamund	64	42	2	26	0	70
7.	Rajnandgaon	105	55	0	55	1	111
8.	Durg	109	72	9	59	0	140
9.	Balod	69	38	6	24	0	68
10.	Bemetara	61	32	1	21	0	54
11.	Bilaspur	104	92	2	40	0	134
12.	G.P.M.	53	28	4	9	0	41
13.	Mungeli	74	43	0	15	0	58
14.	Korba	90	49	9	16	2	76
15.	Raigarh	136	66	6	46	0	118
16.	Janjgir	110	68	2	27	0	97
17.	Bastar	94	57	0	19	0	76
18.	Kondagaon	73	32	0	21	0	53
19.	Bijapur	49	19	0	6	16	41
20.	Kanker	87	52	3	26	0	81
21.	Dantewada	51	26	0	20	0	46
22.	Sukma	46	15	0	10	0	25
23.	Narayanpur	26	17	2	6	0	25
24.	Surguja	68	63	2	33	0	98
25.	Balrampur	97	54	0	25	0	79
26.	Surajpur	78	62	0	38	1	101
27.	Koriya	73	37	1	32	2	72
28.	Jashpur	85	64	1	18	3	86
Total		2175	1331	71	740	39	2181