GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2657 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4th August, 2023

Setting up of Jan Aushadhi Kendras

2657. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any requests from private companies seeking their participation in setting up Jan Aushadhi Kendras in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Union Government has received proposals from the State Government to set up Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Odisha and if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and
- (d) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): The scheme, viz., *Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana* (PMBJP) is implemented by the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI), a society under the aegis of the Department of Pharmaceuticals. The scheme operates on a franchisee like model wherein the individual entrepreneurs, NGOs, Societies, Trusts, Firms, Private Companies, etc. can apply to PMBI for establishing and running *Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras* (PMBJKs). While applications are received from individual entrepreneurs for approval of kendras, PMBI has informed that it has not received any request from any private company seeking participation in setting up *Janaushadhi Kendras* in the country.
- (c) & (d): Till 30.06.2023, about 418 *Jansushadhi Kendras* have been opened in the State of Odisha. As per records readily available, no proposal has been received from the State Government to set up *Janaushadhi Kendras* in the state of Odisha.
