GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED ADMITTED QUESTION NO. 405 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH DECEMBER, 2023

"VETERINARY HOSPITALS"

405. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:

Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY and DAIRYING मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of veterinary hospitals per village, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is true that most vet hospitals suffer from limited staff, unavailability of needed medicines, delayed services etc., forcing the animal keepers to go to private hospitals putting extra burden on owners' pockets as per various reports and claims made by cattle farmers;
- (c) if so, the details of remedial steps taken by the Government;
- (d) whether the Government has undertaken any audit mechanism to keep a check on the functioning of vet hospitals; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

- (a) & (b) Animal Husbandry is a State subject, therefore establishment of veterinary hospitals, dispensaries and recruitment of necessary staff in these veterinary institutions for providing veterinary services is under the purview of the State Government. The State-wise detail of veterinary hospitals, dispensaries and Veterinary Aid Centre as Animal Husbandry Statistics is enclosed as **Annexure-I.**
- (c) In order to supplement State/UT Government's efforts, the Government of India is implementing "Establishment & Strengthening of Veterinary Hospitals & Dispensaries-Mobile Veterinary Units (ESVHD-MVU)" a component under Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LH&DCP). Under the scheme financial assistance of 100% is provided towards non-recurring expenditure on procurement of Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs), and central share is provided as recurring expenditure for running of these MVUs for delivery of veterinary services, which includes veterinary medicines by technical staff for treatment of animals at the farmer's doorstep.

The Government has released 100% financial assistance of Rs.682.85 Crore to 34 States/UTs for non-recurring expenditure on procurement of 4340 MVUs during 2021-22 and 2022-23 and Rs.55.45 Crore to 13 States towards recurring expenditure during 2023-24.

(d) & (e) Since, veterinary services of the State Government is State subject, therefore functioning of veterinary hospitals are under the purview of State Government

Number of Hospitals, Dispensaries and No. of Veterinary Aid Centre as on 31^{st} March, 2023

Annexure-I

Number of Veterinary Institutions (as on 31/03/2023)										
S.No.	States / UT	Veterinary Hospitals / Polyclinics	Veterinary Dispensaries	Veterinary Aid Centre (Stockman Centres / Mobile Dispensaries)	Total	Registered Veterinary Practitioners as on 31 st January 2023				
1	Andhra Pradesh	337	1577	1558	3472	5324				
2	Arunachal Pradesh	16	183	311	510	232				
3	Assam	21	421	767	1209	3154				
4	Bihar	1098	39	1595	2732	3464				
5	Chhattisgarh	350	835	72	1257	1215				
6	Goa	5	25	50	80	222				
7	Gujarat	34	741	1057	1832	4447				
8	Haryana	1048	1815	22	2885	2372				
9	Himachal Pradesh	466	1762	1228	3456	1402				
10	Jammu & Kashmir	19	1256	225	1500	1057				
11	Jharkhand	35	424	433	892	927				
12	Karnataka	697	2156	1381	4234	4786				
13	Kerala	279	870	15	1164	5172				
14	Madhya Pradesh	1064	1583	65	2712	3039				
15	Maharashtra	39	1976	2841	4856	10570				
16	Manipur	59	151	23	233	561				
17	Meghalaya	4	126	121	251	433				
18	Mizoram	11	67	69	147	351				
19	Nagaland	11	55	100	166	350				
20	Odisha	30	511	3553	4094	2791				
21	Punjab	1389	1489	20	2898	4285				
22	Rajasthan	2975	0	6434	9409	4853				
23	Sikkim	23	68	63	154	199				
24	Tamil Nadu	189	2741	3446	6376	6245				
25	Telangana	107	909	1201	2217	2124				
26	Tripura	16	65	459	540	451				
27	Uttarakhand	330	10	779	1119	1156				
28	Uttar Pradesh	2208	267	2575	5050	6907				
29	West Bengal	113	613	2609	3335	2661				
30	A&N Islands	10	13	49	72	59				

	Total	13042	22823	33337	69202	81938
36	Puducherry	0	17	75	92	535
35	Lakshadweep	0	9	0	9	34
34	Delhi	49	29	0	78	466
	DD					5
33	D&N Haveli and	1	2	14	17	
32	Ladakh	4	9	127	140	76
31	Chandigarh	5	9	0	14	13