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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1184
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2024

GOVERNMENT PHYSIOTHERAPY CLINICS

1184# DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
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SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

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

(a) the number of Government physiotherapy clinics functioning in different Government hospitals along with number of doctors deployed in these hospitals;

(b) the number of sanctioned post of various grades of physiotherapists in general and SC/ST/OBC categories in various Central Government hospitals in the country;

(c) whether the Government has failed to fill up the posts of physiotherapists resulting in heavy rush in hospital, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to fill up the posts in a time bound manner;

(d) whether the Government has fixed any criteria and qualification to run a physiotherapy clinic to ensure public safety; and

(e) if so, the details regarding requirement of certification to run a physiotherapy clinic to ensure public safety; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to promote physiotherapy in Government hospitals in the country?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
(DR. BHARTI PARVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (f):- Health is a state subject. It is the responsibility of State/Union Territory Governments to make efforts/policy for promoting physiotherapy in governments hospitals. Physiotherapy services are provided by qualified physiotherapist to patients as per the need assessed by the treating doctors. The sanctioned strength of physiotherapists in a few Central Government Hospitals in Delhi is as follows:-
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All these posts are bifurcated in General and SC/ST/OBC categories as per Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) guidelines and the vacancies in Physiotherapy Cadre are regularly filled as per the Recruitment Rules (RRs) of the post.