

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3937
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2020**

EMERGENCY MEDICAL ROOMS AT RAILWAY STATIONS

3937. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per a report “Central Railways has decided to allow doctors to open clinics and pharmacists to open medical stores at the Emergency Medical Rooms (EMRs) at railway stations to provide golden hour treatment to accident victims” and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether 24 stations will get EMRs at the jurisdiction of Central Railways;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Railways is having any proposal to extend these facilities throughout India; and**
- (e) if so, the names of the stations and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. Central Railway has identified 26 railway stations of Mumbai Division for providing Emergency Medical Rooms. Out of these 26 stations, Emergency Medical Rooms (EMRs) are functional at 18 railway stations. Further, tenders have been invited from various Public and Private Hospitals/ nursing homes/ polyclinics/ clinics/ private practitioners/ companies etc. for establishment of EMRs at remaining 08 stations.

(d) and (e): In compliance of orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court and as recommended by Committee of experts constituted at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), instructions have been issued to provide a

Medical Box containing life saving medicines, equipments, oxygen cylinder etc. at all Railway stations and passenger carrying trains. Front line staff i.e. Train Ticket Examiner, Train Superintendents, Assistant Station Master etc. are trained in rendering First Aid. Regular refresher courses are conducted for such staff. List of near-by hospitals and doctors along with their contact numbers is available at all Railway Stations. Ambulance services of Railways, State Government/Private Hospitals and ambulance service providers are utilized to transport the injured/ sick passengers to the hospitals/doctor's clinics.

In addition, as per orders of Hon'ble Bombay High Court, clinics have been established at 24 sub-urban stations of Mumbai run by non-railway Medical Professional Groups. Such clinics have also been established at 29 other railway stations in the country. These clinics can attend any patient besides rendering emergency medical care to bonafide railway passengers.
