

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 698
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26th July, 2024

Janaushadhi Kendras in Rural Areas

698 Shri Govind Makthappa Karjol:

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

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to open Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) in every Gram Panchayat across the country, including Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action plan formulated to increase their number in rural areas, State/UT-wise including Karnataka;
- (c) the present status of JAKs set up in the State of Karnataka, district-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to include more medicines in JAKs across the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the other steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the functioning of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana in the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
(MS. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a) & (b): Under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), Government has set a target to open 25,000 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) by 31st March, 2027 across the country.

Accordingly, online applications have been invited from all over the country, including Karnataka. Entrepreneurs are free to open Kendras as per their choice in rural as well as urban areas.

In order to enhance rural coverage, PMBJKs are being opened in Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) to maximize benefits of PMBJ Kendras in interior parts of the country. Till 30.06.2024, 574 PMBJ Kendras have been opened in Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) across the country. Out of which 17 PMBJ Kendras have been opened in Karnataka.

(c): Till 30.06.2024, total 1,225 Jan Aushadhi Kendras have been opened in the State of Karnataka. District-wise list of PMBJKs opened in Karnataka is enclosed as **Annexure**.

(d) & (e): Under PMBJP, 2047 medicines and 300 surgical and medical consumables have been brought under the product basket for wider availability. To improve the functioning of PMBJP, Minimum Stocking mandate is being implemented for Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras. Stocking mandate requires availability of 200 medicines at these Kendras, which

covers top 100 selling medicines of PMBJP product basket and 100 fast selling medicines in the market.

For smooth supply and products availability, an IT-enabled End to End Supply Chain system has also been implemented. It comprises one central warehouse at Gurugram and four regional warehouses at Bengaluru, Chennai, Guwahati & Surat. Further, 36 distributors have also been appointed across States/UTs to strengthen the supply chain system.

Annexure

Statement referred to in reply to part (c) of the LOK SABHA UNSTARRED Q. NO. 698 for answer on 26.07.2024 raised by Shri Govind Makthappa Karjol regarding Janaushadhi Kendras in Rural Areas

District-wise list of PMBJKs opened in Karnataka till 30.06.2024		
Sl. No.	Name of the District	Number of PMBJKs Opened
1	Bagalkote	26
2	Ballari	23
3	Belagavi	20
4	Bengaluru Rural	29
5	Bengaluru Urban	353
6	Bidar	23
7	Chamarajanagara	12
8	Chikkaballapura	12
9	Chikkamagaluru	21
10	Chitradurga	18
11	Dakshina Kannada	105
12	Davangere	33
13	Dharwad	40
14	Gadag	14
15	Hassan	21
16	Haveri	33
17	Kalaburagi	27
18	Kodagu	19
19	Kolar	16
20	Koppal	21
21	Mandya	41
22	Mysuru	66
23	Raichur	23
24	Ramanagara	14
25	Shivamogga	34
26	Tumakuru	36
27	Udupi	61
28	Uttara Kannada	25
29	Vijayanagar	8
30	Vijayapura	39
31	Yadgir	12
Total		1225
