GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2996 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13th DECEMBER, 2024

Jan Aushadhi Kendras

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

(a) the details of the report on the effectiveness of medicines available at Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) as compared to branded medicines;

(b) the details of disparities found out in the availability of JAKs in rural and urban areas and the steps taken by the Government to address such disparities; and

(c) the names of the diseases for which maximum number of medicines were sold through the JAKs?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a): Under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), medicines are procured only from World Health Organization – Good Manufacturing Practices (WHO-GMP) certified suppliers. Each batch of drugs is tested at laboratories accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL). The medicines are dispatched to Jan Aushadhi Kendras after passing the quality tests.

(b): Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) are opened on the basis of applications received from entrepreneurs both from rural and urban areas. To increase access to medicines in rural areas, Jan Aushadhi has partnered with the Cooperative sector to open Jan Aushadhi Kendras through Primary Agriculture Cooperative Societies (PACS). Till 30th November 2024, more than 2690 PACS have been given initial approval and 687 Kendras have been opened in PACS.

(c): Under PMBJP 2047 types of medicines and 300 surgicals/devices have been brought under the product basket covering all major therapeutic groups such as Cardiovascular, Anti-cancers, Anti-diabetics, Anti-infectives, Anti-allergic, Gastro-intestinal medicines, Nutraceuticals, etc. The details of top 3 therapeutic groups in terms of sales made by PMBI in last one year are as under:-

Details of top 3 therapeutic groups in terms of sales in last one year (01.12.2023 to 30.11.2024)		
Sl. No.	Name of therapeutic group	Sales contribution in % for last one year
1.	Anti-Diabetic	23%
2.	Cardiovascular System	19%
3.	Gastrointestinal	9%