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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4670 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2025

#### Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Maharashtra

#### †4670. Shri Omprakash Bhupalsinh Alias Pavan Rajenimbalkar: Shri Sanjay Uttamrao Deshmukh:

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

- (a) the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras functioning in the country especially in various districts of Maharashtra including Washim Yavatmal and Osmanabad Parliamentary Constituency;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish more Jan Aushadhi Kendras in the country, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the budget spent on Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Maharashtra specially in Osmanabad during the last five years, year-wise;
- (d) the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras proposed to be opened in the country during the year 2025-26 along with the district-wise details for Maharashtra including Osmanabad district:
- (e) whether the Government has taken any steps to improve the health of women and children through these Jan Aushadhi Kendras; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### ANSWER

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a): Under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana scheme, a total of 15,057 Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) have been opened till 28.2.2025 across the country, of which 708 JAKs are in the State of Maharashtra, which include 19 JAKs in the Washim Yavatmal Parliamentary Constituency and 15 JAKs in the Osmanabad Parliamentary Constituency. The district-wise number of JAKs opened in the State till the said date is at Annexure.
- (b): Government has set a target to open 25,000 JAKs across the country by March 2027. There is no State-wise target for opening new JAKs.
- (c): There is no State- or Union-territory-wise budget allocation under the scheme.
- (d): The Government has decided to open 20,000 JAKs across the country by March 2026. There is no district-wise target.

- (e) and (f): Details regarding the manner in which JAKs promote improvement of health of the people of the country, including women and children, are as follows:
  - (i) 2,047 types of medicines and 300 surgicals, medical devices and consumables are under the scheme's product basket, whose maximum retail prices (MRP) are about 50% to 80% cheaper than those of leading branded medicines.
  - (ii) To ensure easy availability of menstrual health services at affordable prices for women, Jan Aushadhi Suvidha Sanitary Napkins at the rate of ₹1 per pad are being made available. Till 28.2.2025, over 74.50 crore such pads have been sold.
  - (iii) On an average, 10 to 12 lakh persons visit Jan Aushadhi Kendras daily and avail of quality medicines at affordable prices.
  - (iv) In the last 10 years, medicines worth ₹6,975 crore in MRP terms have been sold through JAKs, resulting in estimated savings of about ₹30,000 crore to citizens in comparison to the prices of branded medicines.

Annexure referred to in the reply to part (a) of the LOK SABHA UNSTARRED Q. No. 4670 for answer on 28.3.2025, raised by Shri Omprakash Bhupalsinh alias Pavan Rajenimbalkar and Shri Sanjay Uttamrao Deshmukh, regarding Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Maharashtra

### JAKs opened as on 28.2.2025

S. No.	District	JAKs opened
1	Ahmednagar	14
2	Akola	13
3	Amravati	12
4	Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar	13
5	Beed	29
6	Bhandara	4
7	Buldhana	32
8	Chandrapur	5
9	Dhule	6
10	Gadchiroli	1
11	Gondia	8
12	Hingoli	8
13	Jalgaon	15
14	Jalna	31
15	Kolhapur	22
16	Latur	49
17	Mumbai	69
18	Mumbai Suburban	13
19	Nagpur	17
20	Nanded	26
21	Nandurbar	4
22	Nashik	29
23	Dharashiv	15
24	Parbhani	17
25	Pune	50
26	Raigad	10
27	Ratnagiri	4
28	Sangli	29
29	Satara	17
30	Sindhudurg	3
31	Solapur	29
32	Thane	60
33	Wardha	4
34	Washim	7
35	Yavatmal	12
36	Palghar	31
Total		708

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