

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4779
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th MARCH, 2025

Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Mathurapur

4779. Shri Bapi Haldar:

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

- (a) the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) established under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) along with the number of functional and closed JAKs in the country, State-wise including Mathurapur Parliamentary Constituency;
- (b) whether it is a fact that many JAKs have closed due to lower sales and loss of revenue;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the remedial action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether any supplier of JAKs has been banned due to quality issues; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof indicating the total number of empanelled suppliers and the number of those banned for such issues?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a): Under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana scheme, 2,256 Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) opened earlier have been closed across the country till 28.2.2025. As on the said date, excluding the said JAKs that have been closed, a total of 15,057 JAKs have been opened across the country. In the Mathurapur Parliamentary Constituency of West Bengal, no JAK has been closed and a total of five JAKs have been opened. State- and Union-territory-wise number of JAKs closed across the country and those that have been opened till the said date (excluding JAKs that have been closed) are at Annexure.

(b) and (c): No, sir. In last 10 years, there has been 200 times growth in number of JAKs which were only 80 in year 2014 and have now grown to 15,057 Kendras covering almost all the districts of the country. Government has adopted franchise like model for opening of JAK. Being the franchise model the availability at local level is determined by demand and supply. It is the decision of the entrepreneur continue or not in case of lower sales and revenue. The State Level Marketing Officer of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI), the implementing agency of the scheme, establishes contact with JAKs whose sales are low with a view to help revive sales. PMBI handholds JAKs and organises workshops, peer learning from successful JAK owners and meeting with doctors from the local area for JAKs performing less well.

(d) and (e): As per inputs provided by the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Bureau of India, the implementing agency of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana, during the last five years, M/s ANG Lifescience India Limited and M/s Ridley Life Science Private

Limited were blacklisted due to non-supply against purchase orders and non-compliance with quality standards.

As on date, 206 pharmaceutical manufacturers are associated with PMBJP, for supplies of medicines, surgical equipment, nutraceuticals and ayurvedic products.

Annexure referred to in the reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 4779 for answer on 28.3.2025, raised by Shri Bapi Haldar, regarding Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Mathurapur

Number of JAKs closed across the country till 28.2.2025 and those that have been opened till the said date (excluding JAKs that have been closed)

S. No.	State / Union Territory	JAKs closed	JAKs opened (excluding JAKs that have been closed)
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	1	9
2	Andhra Pradesh	126	275
3	Arunachal Pradesh	3	34
4	Assam	40	171
5	Bihar	51	812
6	Chandigarh	3	11
7	Chhattisgarh	117	278
8	Delhi	35	492
9	Goa	0	15
10	Gujarat	307	760
11	Haryana	96	408
12	Himachal Pradesh	36	71
13	Jammu and Kashmir	23	318
14	Jharkhand	15	148
15	Karnataka	170	1,425
16	Kerala	136	1,528
17	Ladakh	1	2
18	Lakshadweep	0	1
19	Madhya Pradesh	73	545
20	Maharashtra	180	708
21	Manipur	10	54
22	Meghalaya	0	25
23	Mizoram	15	15
24	Nagaland	1	22
25	Odisha	49	682
26	Puducherry	0	33
27	Punjab	47	489
28	Rajasthan	91	486
29	Sikkim	1	11
30	Tamil Nadu	185	1,363
31	Telangana	49	199
32	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	6	39
33	Tripura	4	28
34	Uttar Pradesh	310	2,657
35	Uttarakhand	35	313
36	West Bengal	40	630
Total			15,057