

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2108
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST AUGUST, 2025**

ESTABLISHMENT OF CGHS DENTAL UNIT IN CHANDIGARH

2108. SHRI CHARANJIT SINGH CHANNI:

Will the **Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that CGHS wellness centres in Chandigarh and major cities of Punjab (Amritsar, Jalandhar, Ludhiana, Patiala) lack dental units, causing difficulties for Government employees and pensioners, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is any plan to establish a CGHS dental unit in Chandigarh, if so, the details thereof along with the timeline fixed for its implementation;
- (c) whether new CGHS dental units are likely to be set up in other major cities of Punjab, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is taking steps to equip CGHS centres with modern dental equipment and qualified dentists, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has any plans to expand CGHS dental services in Punjab, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (e) CGHS Wellness Centres provide primary healthcare services including consultation, treatment, and dispensing of medicines to CGHS beneficiaries. They manage chronic illnesses, offer preventive care, and conduct routine health check-ups. Centres also issue referrals for specialist consultations and hospitalizations in empanelled facilities. The beneficiaries are referred to empanelled hospitals and diagnostic centres for specialist consultation, investigations, or hospitalization when needed. There is no proposal to establish CGHS Dental Unit in State of Punjab and UT of Chandigarh.

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare is striving towards achieving Universal Health Coverage including Dental treatment, for all citizens, as per National Health Policy, through its various programs like Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (ABPMJAY), Ayushman Arogya Mandir (erstwhile Ayushman Bharat Health & Wellness Centre), Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (ABHIM), Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), and National Health Mission (NHM) through its Rural and Urban components. In addition, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bathinda, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh, Government Medical Colleges and District Hospitals are also functioning in the state of Punjab and UT of Chandigarh to cater all the medical related including Dental care needs. Central Government employees are permitted to avail treatment from any Government Hospital (Central/State Government), as per MoHFW OM No. Z15025/18/2020/DIR/CGHS

dated 09.10.2020 and claim reimbursement as per CGHS package rates or actual, whichever is lower. The copy of OM is at **Annexure-I**.

In the State of Punjab and UT of Chandigarh, 155 Private Health Care Organizations (HCOs) are empanelled under CGHS and CS(MA) Rules, 1944, for medical treatment of central government employees and pensioners. Out of these empanelled HCOs, Dental treatment may be obtained from 16 such HCOs. The detail is at **Annexure-II**.



Z15025/18/2020/DIR/CGHS
Government of India
Min. of Health & Family Welfare
Department of Health
Directorate General of CGHS

545-A Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
Dated the 9th October , 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: Clarification regarding treatment of CGHS beneficiaries at government hospitals
- regarding**

With reference to the above subject the undersigned is directed to state that this Ministry is in receipt of several representations seeking clarifications about treatment at government hospitals. In this regard attention is drawn to Office memorandum No. S-11012/1/91-CGHS(P) (Vol.I) dt 18.03.1992 vide which guidelines regarding settlement of Claims were issued and to convey the approval of competent authority for issue of the following clarifications regarding treatment at government hospitals:

- i. CGHS beneficiaries have the option to avail Consultation from Specialists/ Investigations / treatment procedures from any Government Hospital Central /State)
- ii. The definition of "Government hospital" would include any hospital of Central Government /State Government/Government Departments such as Railways. Atomic Energy Commission, etc., as also hospitals of Public Sector Undertakings (such as those of the Steel Authority of India Limited/Coal India Limited, hospitals under Municipalities etc.
- iii. Normally, many services at government hospitals are free. However, in case any government hospital charges for certain treatments , the same can be availed by way of reimbursement from the authorities concerned as per CGHS approved rates.
- iv. CGHS beneficiaries shall be eligible for reimbursement as per the ward entitlement he/ she is entitled as per the criteria prescribed in case of AIIMS. In other government hospitals, where only General ward and Nursing home facility are available, CGHS beneficiaries, who are eligible eligible for semi-private ward and higher are eligible for treatment in Nursing Home wards.
- v. Reimbursement for Implants shall be limited to CGHS prescribed ceiling rates. The other treatment charges are applicable item wise as per eligible ward entitlement.

- vi. In case of treatment at ILBS , New Delhi , NIMS Hyderabad the reimbursement shall be as per CGHS rates.
- vii. Medical claims are to be submitted through concerned CGHS Wellness Centre in case of Pensioners, ex-MPs , etc., and to the concerned Ministry /department /Office in case of serving employees and to the Rajya Sabha Secretariat / Lok Sabha Secretariat in case of Members of Parliament and to the concerned Autonomous body in case of CGHS beneficiaries of Autonomous Bodies for reimbursement



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To

1. All Ministries / Departments, Government of India
2. Director, CGHS, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
3. Estt.I/ Estt.II/ Estt.III/ Estt.IV Sections, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
4. Admn.I / Admn.II Sections of Dte.GHS
5. Addl. Director, CGHS(HQ) / Addl.DDG(HQ)/Addl. Directors Directors of CGHS Cities
6. Rajya Sabha / Lok Sabha Secretariat
7. Registrar, Supreme Court of India /Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh
8. Under Secretary, U.P.S.C.
9. Under Secretary Finance Division
10. Deputy Secretary (Civil Service News), Department of Personnel & Training, 5th Floor Saradar Patel Bhawan, Sansad Marg , New Delhi
- 11.PPS to AS&MD, NRHM / AS (H) /DGHS
12. Secretary, Staff Side, 13-C, Ferozshah Road, New Delhi
- 13.Office of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India, 10 Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi
- 14.All Offices / Sections / Desks in the Ministry
- 15.UTI Infrastructure Technology And Services Limited, UTI-ITSL Tower, Plot No3 Sector - 11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai-400614
- 16.Nodal Officer, MCTC, CGHS with a request to upload a copy of OM on CGHS Web-site
- 17.All Hospitals empanelled under CGHS through Addl. Director, CGHS of concerned city.
- 18.Office Order folder

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ANNEXURE-II

List of Health Care Organizations (HCOs) empanelled under CGHS, in State of Punjab and UT of Chandigarh, where dental treatment can be taken

Chandigarh (04):

1. Dr. Kochar's House of Smiles
2. Gupta Hospital
3. Indus Speciality Health (Indus Hygiea)
4. Khullar Dental Hospital

Amritsar (03):

5. Corporate Hospital
6. Ranjit Hospital
7. Lifecure Hospital

Jalandhar (03):

8. Global Hospital (U O Sood Hospital Pvt. Ltd.)
9. Johal Multispecialty Hospital
10. Capitol Hospital

List of Health Care Organizations (HCOs) empanelled under CS(MA) Rules, 1944, in State of Punjab, where dental treatment can be taken

Mohali (02):

11. Mehar Hospital, Zirakpur Mohali, Punjab_
12. JP Hospital, Zirakpur, Mohali_

Ludhiana (02):

13. Mohandai Oswal Hospital, Ludhiana, Punjab
14. Satguru Partap Singh Hospital Ludhiana Punjab_

Ropar (01):

15. Gurdev Hospital Kangar Road Nurpur Bedi Distt. Ropar Punjab_

Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (01):

16. Guru Nanak Mission Hospital, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Punjab_
