

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3399
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8TH AUGUST, 2025

Jan Aushadhi Kendra in Gorakhpur

3399. Shri Ravindra Shukla Alias Ravi Kishan:

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

- (a) the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras operational in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the range and volume of affordable medicines supplied through the JAKs in Gorakhpur;
- (c) the awareness campaigns about availability and quality of generic medicines in said district; and
- (d) the impact of the scheme on out-of-pocket expenditure of patients in the said district?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a): Under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana scheme, a total of 16,912 Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) have been opened till 30.6.2025 across the country, out of which 3,550 JAKs have been opened in the State of Uttar Pradesh, including 152 in Gorakhpur district.

(b): 2,110 medicines and 315 surgicals, medical consumables and devices are available under the scheme product basket, which covers all major therapeutic groups, such as cardiovascular, anti-cancers, anti-diabetic, anti-infectives, anti-allergic and gastro-intestinal medicines and nutraceuticals, for supply through JAKs across the country, including in Gorakhpur district.

(c): To spread awareness about the scheme and the availability and quality of generic medicines across the country, including in Gorakhpur district, the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Bureau of India, which is the scheme implementing agency, regularly undertakes the following activities:

- (i) Issuance of advertisements in various modes, such as the print media, radio, television, mobile application, cinema, hoardings, branding of bus queue shelters and buses, auto wrapping and television screens at Common Service Centres;
- (ii) Outreach through social media platforms; and
- (iii) Celebration of Jan Aushadhi Diwas on the 7th of March every year.

(d): Under the scheme, sale of medicines worth ₹ 30.55 crore has been made through JAKs opened in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh during the last five financial years, that is, from the financial year (FY) 2020-21 to FY2024-25, resulting in estimated savings of about ₹150 crore in out-of-pocket expenditure incurred for patients in the said district.
