

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 981
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH DECEMBER, 2025**

LACK OF MEDICAL STAFF IN CHURU

†981. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

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

- (a) the current availability of doctors, specialists, nursing staff and laboratory technicians in Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs) in the Churu Lok Sabha Constituency, in the State of Rajasthan along with the number of vacant posts;
- (b) whether any building construction, equipment purchase, laboratory upgrades or ambulance services have been expanded to strengthen these health centres during the last three years, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is providing telemedicine, mobile health units or digital health facilities in the said Parliamentary Constituency, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether incentive-based postings, contract appointments or special recruitment drives are being conducted to address the shortage of doctors and specialists, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether there is any plan to upgrade emergency services, maternal health and pediatric facilities in Primary Health Centres/Community Health Centres to meet the increasing number of patients in the country, if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (e): As informed by Govt. of Rajasthan, details of total no. of posts of Medical officers, Specialists, Nursing Staff, ANM and Lab technicians sanctioned and vacant in Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs) under National Health Mission (NHM), in the Churu Lok Sabha Constituency of Rajasthan is as below:

S. No.	Post	Sanctioned	Vacant
1.	Medical officers	229	37
2.	Specialists	101	54
3.	Nursing Staff	517	101
4.	ANM	244	18
5.	Lab technicians	184	59

In addition to the above, 615 contractual employees are also deployed in public health facilities under NHM in the Churu Lok Sabha Constituency.

The National Health Mission (NHM) provides support for improvement in health infrastructure, availability of adequate human resources in health facilities, to improve availability and accessibility to quality health care especially for the under served and marginalized groups in rural areas. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provides technical and financial support to the States/UTs to strengthen the public healthcare system, based on the proposals received in the form of Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) under NHM. Government of India provides approval for the proposals in the form of Record of Proceedings (RoPs) as per norms & available resources.

Through 1.80 lakh Ayushman Arogya Mandir including 214 in Churu Lok Sabha constituency, comprehensive primary healthcare, with 12 expanded package of services including Reproductive and child care services and basic emergency care, is provided by strengthening Sub Health Centres (SHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs). To complement the expanded services, the essential list of drugs & diagnostics has been expanded to make available 300 drugs & 97 diagnostics at CHCs, 172 drugs & 63 diagnostics at PHCs and 106 drugs & 14 diagnostics at SHCs.

The Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM) with an outlay of Rs.64,180 crore aims to provide support for infrastructure development for Sub-Health Centres, Urban Health and Wellness Centres, Support for Block Public Health Units, Integrated District Public Health Laboratories and Critical Care Hospital Blocks. The XV-Finance Commission has recommended grants aggregating to Rs.70,051 crore over the period of five years (2021-2026) through Local Governments to strengthen the healthcare system in states.

As informed by Govt. of Rajasthan, a total of 24 ambulances (18 under 108 and 6 under Janani Express) are currently available in the Churu Lok Sabha constituency, including replacements for previously condemned vehicles. Under NHM, Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) provide healthcare services across the country including 4 MMUs in the Churu Lok Sabha constituency.

The teleconsultation services, available at operational AAMs across the country, enables people to access the specialist services closer to their homes addressing concerns of physical accessibility, saving cost to care, shortage of service providers and to ensure continuum of care. As informed by Govt. of Rajasthan, between April, 2025 and October, 2025, a total of 7,916 teleconsultations have been facilitated through the E-Sanjeevani platform in the Churu Lok Sabha constituency .

The Government of India has taken number of initiatives in the form of incentives and honorarium to the medical professionals for encouraging better service delivery in rural and remote areas across the country, which include:

- i. Hard Area Allowance to specialist doctors for serving in rural and remote areas so that they find it attractive to serve in public health facilities in such areas.

- ii. States are also allowed to offer negotiable salary to attract specialist including flexibility in strategies such as “You Quote We Pay”.
- iii. Non-monetary incentives such as preferential admission in postgraduate courses for staff serving in difficult areas and improving accommodation arrangement in rural areas have also been introduced under NHM.
- iv. Under District Residency Program of National Medical Commission (NMC), second/third year PG students of medical colleges are posted in district hospitals.

The Government of India, under NHM, is implementing various schemes/initiatives i.e. Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY), Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram (JSSK), Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA), Extended PMSMA and establishment of Newborn Stabilization Units (NBSUs) and paediatric wards at Primary Health Centres, Community Health Centres to improve maternal health services across the country, including Churu Parliamentary Constituency of Rajasthan.
