

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1168
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6th FEBRUARY, 2026**

Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Ladakh

1168. Shri Mohmad Haneefa:

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

- (a) the number of functional and closed Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) established under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), State/UT-wise particularly in UT of Ladakh;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the UT of Ladakh has the least number of JAKs in the country, if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to establish more JAKs in Ladakh;
- (c) whether it is a fact that many JAKs in the country have closed down due to low sales and loss of revenue, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (d) the total number of empanelled suppliers; and
- (e) whether any supplier has been banned due to quality issues, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a) and (b): Under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana scheme, a total of 17,990 JAKs are open and functional across the country till 31.12.2025. Apart from these, 3,135 Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) have been closed across the country till 31.12.2025. The State-wise /Union Territory-wise number of JAKs opened and closed across the country including UT of Ladakh is at Annexure.

With a view to further expand the coverage of the scheme, the Government has set a target to open 25,000 JAKs by March 2027. JAKs are opened by inviting applications from individual entrepreneurs, non-governmental organisations, societies, trusts, firms, private companies, etc. Online applications have been invited from all districts of the country, including those in the UT of Ladakh, through the website www.janaushadhi.gov.in.

Further, a one-time special incentive of ₹2 lakh for setting up JAK is given for JAKs opened in the North-Eastern States, Himalayan areas, island territories and backward areas notified as Aspirational Districts by NITI Aayog, and to those JAKs that are opened by entrepreneurs of certain eligible categories, including ex-servicemen, *divyang jan* and members of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

(c): 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 to continue or not in case of lower sales and revenue. Some of the other reasons for closure are the death of the JAK owner, vacation of the rented premises required by its landlord and the allottee or the pharmacist pursuing other economic or employment opportunities. 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 on date, 200 pharmaceutical manufacturers are associated with PMBJP, for supplies of medicines, surgical equipment, nutraceuticals and ayurvedic products.

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 two years, M/s ANG Lifescience India Limited and M/s Scientific Brain Nutraceutical Private Limited were blacklisted due to non-compliance with quality standards.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in the reply to part (a) of the LOK SABHA UNSTARRED Q. No. 1168 for answer on 06.02.2026, raised by Shri Mohmad Haneefa, regarding “Jan Aushadhi Kendras in Ladakh”

The State-wise /Union Territory-wise number of JAKs opened and closed as on 31.12.2025

S. No.	State / Union territory	Number of JAKs currently functional	Number of JAKs Closed
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	6	4
2	Andhra Pradesh	272	152
3	Arunachal Pradesh	35	3
4	Assam	176	55
5	Bihar	1058	98
6	Chandigarh	19	2
7	Chhattisgarh	345	116
8	Delhi	589	60
9	Goa	18	4
10	Gujarat	848	358
11	Haryana	474	151
12	Himachal Pradesh	74	41
13	Jammu and Kashmir	351	32
14	Jharkhand	166	28
15	Karnataka	1585	198
16	Kerala	1714	163
17	Ladakh	3	1
18	Lakshadweep	1	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	614	104
20	Maharashtra	713	240
21	Manipur	68	12
22	Meghalaya	25	3
23	Mizoram	16	16
24	Nagaland	22	2
25	Odisha	803	69
26	Puducherry	33	0
27	Punjab	532	79
28	Rajasthan	632	115
29	Sikkim	15	2
30	Tamil Nadu	1515	259
31	Telangana	212	66

S. No.	State / Union territory	Number of JAKs currently functional	Number of JAKs Closed
32	The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	40	10
33	Tripura	33	5
34	Uttar Pradesh	3805	555
35	Uttarakhand	319	76
36	West Bengal	859	56
	Total	17,990	3,135
