

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3622  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2026**

**UPGRADATION OF CHC/PHC IN UTTARAKHAND**

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

- (a) whether any action plan has been prepared by the Government for the upgradation of Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres in the State of Uttarakhand and the Haridwar Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any target has been fixed for the said Government hospitals in view of the increasing population in the State, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the budgetary amount allocated and spent for the upgradation of PHCs and CHCs in the above-mentioned State and Constituency during the last three years?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d): 'Public Health' & 'Hospitals' are State subjects, hence, the primary responsibility of providing basic healthcare services to all the citizens of the country lies with respective State/UT Government.

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 services in the country including Uttarakhand and the Haridwar Lok Sabha Constituency. 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. The details of RoPs issued to States/UTs, are available at following web link:

<https://nhm.gov.in/index1.php?lang=1&level=1&sublinkid=1377&lid=744>

As per established norms, in rural areas, a Primary Health Centre (PHC) for a population of 30,000 (in plains) and 20,000 (in hilly and tribal areas) and Community Health Centre (CHC) for a population of 1,20,000 (in plain) and 80,000 (in hilly and tribal area) is suggested.

Further, for urban areas, one Urban-Primary Health Centre (U-PHC) for a urban population of 30,000 to 50,000, One Urban-Community Health Centre (U-CHC) for every 2.5 lakh population in non-metro cities (above 5 lakh population) and one U-CHC for every 5 lakh population in the metro cities.

A total of 1.83 lakh Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (AAMs) [erstwhile Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs)] have been operationalized by strengthening Sub-health Centres and PHCs in the country, including 2,358 AAMs in Uttarakhand, which deliver expanded range of comprehensive primary healthcare services encompassing preventive, promotive, palliative, rehabilitative, and curative care.

As informed by State, PHC, Jhabreda and PHC, Balawala have been upgraded to CHCs and CHC, Doiwala has been upgraded to Sub-District Hospital (SDH) in Haridwar Lok Sabha Constituency.

The Fifteenth Finance Commission (FC-XV) has recommended grants through local governments for specific components of the health sector to the tune of Rs.70,051 crore and the same have been accepted by the Union Government. Total amount of Rs.797.09 crore has been allocated under FC-XV health grant for the State of Uttarakhand for FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26.

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