

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

LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION No. 332  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2022

**Janaushadhi Kendras**

**\*332. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any requests from the private players seeking their participation in setting up of Janaushadhi Kendras;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
(Dr. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)**

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- (a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED Q.NO. 332 (12<sup>th</sup> POSITION) FOR ANSWER ON 25.03.2022 REGARDING JANAUSHADHI KENDRAS**

(a) to (c): Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) is being implemented mainly through individual entrepreneurs. Till 28.02.2022, about 8,689 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) have been opened covering all the districts in the country. Out of these, about 1,064 kendras have been opened in government premises, while remaining 7,625 PMBJKs have been opened by the private players, viz., individuals/societies/NGOs/institutions etc.

In order to encourage receipt of applications from individual entrepreneurs/private players for opening of PMBJK, the normal incentive under the scheme has been enhanced from Rs. 2.50 lakhs to Rs. 5.00 Lakh, subject to a ceiling of Rs. 15,000/- per month. Further, additional one-time incentive of Rs. 2.00 lakh has been introduced for Kendras opened in aspirational districts, Himalayan, Island territories & North-Eastern States or for the Kendras opened by women entrepreneurs, divyangs, SC & ST.

Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI), the implementing agency of the scheme, regularly organizes workshops and seminars to encourage private entrepreneurs/NGOs/Civil Societies and unemployed pharmacists for opening of PMBJKs. Further, PMBI has recently invited applications for opening of PMBJKs in 265 districts of the different States where the coverage of Kendras is relatively less.

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