

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 178
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2nd February, 2024

Achievements Under PMBJP

**178. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:**

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

- (a) the details of achievements made under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadi Pariyojana (PMBJP) since its inception;
- (b) the current progress of the PMBJP along with the schemes being evolved for its expansion in future;
- (c) the type of medicines and the number of diseases for which medicines are being made available for sale through the PMBJP in the country;
- (d) the number of centres opened under PMBJP in different districts of Gujarat and Maharashtra so far;
- (e) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any action to promote the PMBJP Scheme in the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)**

(a) & (b): With an objective of making quality generic medicines available at affordable prices to all especially the poor and the deprived ones, Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) was launched by the government in the year 2008. Under the scheme, dedicated outlets known as Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) are opened all over the country to provide generic medicines to the masses.

Till 31.12.2023, about 10,454 PMBJKs have been opened across the country. Prices of the Jan Aushadhi medicines are generally 50%-90% less than that of branded medicines' prices which are available in the open market. During the past 9 years, estimated savings of more than Rs. 28,000 crores for the citizens have been possible.

For further expansion of the scheme, Government has set a target for opening of 25,000 JAKs across the country by 31st March 2026. Accordingly, PMBI has invited online applications from all districts of the country.

(c): The product basket of PMBJP comprises 1965 medicines and 293 surgicals/ consumables covering all major therapeutic groups such as Cardiovascular, Anti-cancers, Anit-diabetics, Anti-infectives, Anti-allergic, Gastro-intestinal medicines etc. In addition to this, various nutraceutical products like Protein Powder, Malt-based Food Supplements, etc. and some

AYUSH products like Ayuraksha Kit, Balraksha Kit and Ayush-64 tablet as Immunity boosters have been added in the product basket of the Pariyojana which is being made available through selected Kendras.

(d): Under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), till 31.12.2023, 10454 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) have been opened across the country including 587 Kendras in the State of Maharashtra and 624 Kendras opened in the State of Gujarat. Districts-wise lists of PMBJKs opened in Maharashtra and Gujarat till 31.12.2023 are enclosed as **Annexure-I and Annexure-II** respectively.

(e) & (f): Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI), the implementing agency of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) is spreading awareness about the features of PMBJP and benefits of Jan Aushadhi generic medicines through various types of advertisements such as Print Media, Radio advertisements, TV advertisements, Cinema Advertisements and Outdoor publicity like Hoardings, Bus Queue Shelter branding, Bus branding, Auto wrapping, etc. In addition to this, PMBI is also educating the public about the benefits of Jan Aushadhi generic medicines through social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, etc. regularly.

Furthermore, PMBI is also educating citizens of the country about the benefits of Jan Aushadhi generic medicines by organizing Jan Aushadhi Diwas every year on 7th March. Workshops and seminars are being organized during various event celebrations such as Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, National Unity Day week, etc. to educate the citizens about PMBJP Scheme.

Annexure- I

Statement referred to in reply to part (d) of the LOK SABHA UNSTARRED Q. NO. 178 for answer on 02.02.2024 raised by SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA, SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE regarding Achievements Under PMBJP

District-wise list of PMBJKs opened in Maharashtra till 31.12.2023		
Sl. No.	Name of the District	Number of PMBJKs Opened
1	Ahmednagar	13
2	Akola	11
3	Amravati	10
4	Aurangabad_Mh	11
5	Beed	30
6	Bhandara	2
7	Buldhana	30
8	Chandrapur	5
9	Dhule	6
10	Gadchiroli	1
11	Gondia	4
12	Hingoli	7
13	Jalgaon	13
14	Jalna	29
15	Kolhapur	18
16	Latur	44
17	Mumbai	57
18	Mumbai Suburban	9
19	Nagpur	13
20	Nanded	21
21	Nandurbar	4
22	Nashik	16
23	Osmanabad	14
24	Palghar	19
25	Parbhani	15
26	Pune	40
27	Raigad	9
28	Ratnagiri	2
29	Sangli	26
30	Satara	14
31	Sindhudurg	2
32	Solapur	23
33	Thane	50
34	Wardha	4
35	Washim	6
36	Yavatmal	9
Total		587

Annexure- II

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District wise list of PMBJKs opened in Gujarat till 31.12.2023		
Sl. No.	Name of the District	No. of PMBJKs Opened
1	Ahmadabad	75
2	Amreli	14
3	Anand	18
4	Arvalli	6
5	Banas Kantha	14
6	Bharuch	14
7	Bhavnagar	25
8	Botad	10
9	Chhotaudepur	6
10	Dang	4
11	Devbhumi Dwarka	5
12	Dohad	5
13	Gandhinagar	11
14	Gir Somnath	12
15	Jamnagar	16
16	Junagadh	22
17	Kachchh	23
18	Kheda	19
19	Mahesana	18
20	Mahisagar	7
21	Morbi	8
22	Narmada	5
23	Navsari	8
24	Panch Mahals	9
25	Patan	14
26	Porbandar	7
27	Rajkot	68
28	Sabar Kantha	17
29	Surat	90
30	Surendranagar	10
31	Tapi	6
32	Vadodara	47
33	Valsad	11
Total		624
