

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1343
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9th February, 2024

Availability of Generic Drugs

†1343. **SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is implementing any special scheme for the availability of generic drugs at cheaper prices;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether distribution centres are being established to ensure the availability of drugs at cheaper prices in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of such distribution centres in Gujarat specially in Dahod district?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): With a view to achieve the objective of making quality generic medicines available at affordable prices to all, 'Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) was launched by the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Government of India. 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.

(c) to (d): Under Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), till 31.01.2024, 10,624 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) have been opened across the country, which make generic medicines available to people at cheaper cost. State/UT-wise list of PMBJKs opened across the country is enclosed as Annexure.

(e): As on 31.01.2024, 628 Kendras have been opened in the State of Gujarat including 05 kendras in Dahod district.

Statement referred to in reply to part (c & d) of the LOK SABHA UNSTARRED Q. NO. 1343 for answer on 09.02.2024 raised by SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR regarding Availability of Generic Drugs

State/UT- wise PMBJKs opened as on 31.01.2024		
Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Number of PMBJKs
1	Andaman & Nicobar	9
2	Andhra Pradesh	225
3	Arunachal Pradesh	30
4	Assam	121
5	Bihar	517
6	Chandigarh	11
7	Chhattisgarh	223
8	Delhi	405
9	Goa	14
10	Gujarat	628
11	Haryana	296
12	Himachal Pradesh	70
13	Jammu and Kashmir	280
14	Jharkhand	106
15	Karnataka	1082
16	Kerala	979
17	Ladakh	2
18	Lakshadeep *	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	342
20	Maharashtra	606
21	Manipur	42
22	Meghalaya	19
23	Mizoram	12
24	Nagaland	20
25	Odisha	504
26	Puducherry	25
27	Punjab	348
28	Rajasthan	251
29	Sikkim	7
30	Tamil Nadu	913
31	Telangana	194
32	DNH & D&D	35
33	Tripura	25
34	Uttar Pradesh	1691
35	Uttarakhand	234
36	West Bengal	358
Total		10,624

* Medicines are directly supplied to the administration of UT of Lakshwadeep