

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1305
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09/02/2024**

BEDS IN WOMEN HOSPITALS

1305. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

WILL THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE BE PLEASED TO STATE:

- a) whether the Government is implementing a scheme to increase the number of beds in women's hospitals to provide immediate medicines and medical services to pregnant women in urban areas and aspirational districts of the country;
- b) if so, the details of the deliveries beyond the capacity of the hospital that take place every month and year in the women's hospital of Dharashiv district;
- c) the manner in which the action is being taken by the Government regarding increasing the number of beds in hospitals where the burden of female patients is high along with providing the justice to these female patients and providing them timely medical treatment; and
- d) if not, the reasons for the delay?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

(a) to (d)

Public health and hospitals are state subjects. The primary responsibility for strengthening healthcare systems lies with the respective state/UT governments. However, to address the gaps in the availability of hospital beds and to provide health care services to pregnant women across the country, including urban areas and aspirational districts, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, provides financial and technical support to States/UTs to strengthen their healthcare systems based on the proposals submitted by States/UTs in their Program Implementation Plans (PIPs). The Government of India approves

the proposals in the form of Record of Proceedings (RoPs) as per norms and available resources.

The number of beds in public health facilities is guided by the population norms mentioned in the Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) laid down by the Government of India. The State-of-the-art Maternal and Child Health Wings (MCH wings) have been sanctioned at District Hospitals/District Women's Hospitals and other high case load facilities at the sub-district level as integrated facilities for providing quality obstetric and neonatal care.

As per the report from the State Government Maharashtra, the Bed Occupancy Rate (BOR) of the women's hospital of Dharashiv District is more than 200% for the Financial Year (FY) 2022-23. Further, the State Government has already taken the decision to increase the bed capacity from 60 to 160 beds. One tertiary healthcare facility Government Medical College Dharashiv having 430 beds is also providing healthcare services in the Dharashiv District.

The details of the deliveries conducted month-wise and year for the FY 2022-23 is at annexure.

Total number of Deliveries conducted at Women's Hospital Dharashiv, Maharashtra from April 2022 To March 2023			
Sr. No.	Name of Month	Total No. of Deliveries	
		Monthly	Cumulative
1	Apr-22	486	486
2	May-22	477	963
3	Jun-22	423	1386
4	Jul-22	424	1810
5	Aug-22	515	2325
6	Sep-22	557	2882
7	Oct-22	549	3431
8	Nov-22	530	3961
9	Dec-22	509	4470
10	Jan-23	456	4926
11	Feb-23	392	5318
12	Mar-23	545	5863
