

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:815  
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PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government are aware of shortage of primary health centres and hospitals in Rajasthan especially, in Thar, Barmer, Jaisalmer and Jalore districts;
- (b) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to provide health facilities to all citizens;
- (c) if so, the time by which its target is likely to be achieved;
- (d) whether the Government propose to open more health centres and encourage private health centres, hospitals and nursing homes at village level in Barmer, Jaisalmer, Jalore districts; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SH SHANMUGAM)

(a) The State Government has reported that the demographic norms for establishment of Primary Health Centres in rural areas have been achieved in the districts of Barmer, Jaisalmer and Jalore. The State has established one Community Health Centre/Referral Hospital in each Community Development Block; still there is a deficiency of four Community Health Centres in Barmer, and 3 CHCs in Jalore.

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- (b) The infrastructure so far created as per National Health Policy, 1983 is providing health care facilities to the citizens in rural areas.
- (c) The State Government has reported that due to financial constraints no new Community Health Centres are proposed to be established during the current year as well as in the next financial year.
- (d)&(e) The State Government is expected to use funds provided in the State Plan Sector under the Basic Minimum Services Programme and also the Additional Central Assistance to BMS for strengthening of Primary Health Care Services. The State Government has reported that a policy for encouraging the Private Sector for establishing hospitals and Nursing Homes in rural areas is under consideration.