

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Primary Health Centres have been set up in various States including Madhya Pradesh as per the requirements;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any scheme have been formulated for the opening up of new Government civil hospitals, community health centres and primary health centres under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) in various States including Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh during the next five years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) & (b): The Primary Health Centres are opened on the population norm, case load/work load and distance. As per the Bulletin on Rural Health Statistics, 23458 Primary Health Centres [PHCs] are functioning across the country, as on March, 2008 and 1149 Primary Health Centres [PHCs] are functioning in the State of MP.

(c) & (d): Yes. Government of India has launched the National Rural Health Mission [NRHM] in 2005 to support all State/UT Governments including Madhya Pradesh and UP to rejuvenate the public health system with a goal to provide accessible, affordable and accountable quality health services to the rural population. State/UT Governments project their demand including the opening of new health centres in their respective annual Programme Implementation Plan[PIP] under National Rural Health Mission[NRHM]. These PIPs are examined in this Ministry and funds are released to them as per the recommendations of the National Programme Coordination Committee [NPCC] for utilization. The location and number of the health centres to be opened is decided by the State/UT Governments depending upon their preference and requirement.