

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

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NORMS FOR SETTING UP OF RHCS PHCS CHCS RCS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria for establishment of Rural Health Centre (RHCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and sub-centres in the country particularly in hilly, tribal and difficult areas;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to review the said criteria to make available the medical facilities in all the villages of the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

- (a) The Community Health Centres (CHCs) are currently provided on the population norm of 1 per 1,20,000 population in general areas and 1 per 80,000 population in hilly, tribal and difficult areas. The Primary Health Centres (PHCs) are currently provided on the population norm of 1 per 30,000 population in general areas and 1 per 20,000 population in hilly, tribal and difficult areas. The Sub Centres (SCs) are currently provided on the population norm of 1 per 5,000 population in general areas and 1 per 3,000 population in hilly, tribal and difficult areas. No health facility named 'Rural Health Centre (RHCs)' are prescribed in existing norms.
- (b): No such proposal is under consideration.
- (c): Question does not arise.