

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

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SETTING UP OF PHCS/CHCS/SCS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Sub-centres providing health care in the country including rural areas as on date;
- (b) whether the number of the said health care centres and work force in them are as per the norms set by the Government in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government in this direction?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

(a): As per the Bulletin on Rural Health Statistics in India, 2010 a total of 147069 Sub Centres[SC], 23673 Primary Health Centres[PHCs] and 4535 Community Health Centres (CHCs) are functional across the country.

(b) & (c): No. A statement showing the availability of staff as against the sanctioned number at SC, PHCs and CHCs as per the Bulletin on Rural Health Statistics in India, 2010 is Annexed.

Various reasons attributed for the shortage include, non availability of requisite number of doctors and paramedics, shortage of medical colleges and training institutes, unwillingness to work in difficult and hard to reach areas, lack of accommodation, inadequate infrastructure facilities in rural areas etc.

(d): Augmentation of human resources is one of the thrust area under the National Rural Health Mission [NRHM]. Financial support is provided under NRHM for engagement of staff on contractual basis. Multi-skilling of doctors to overcome the shortage of specialists, provision of incentives to serve in rural areas, improved accommodation arrangements, measure to set up more medical colleges, GNM Schools and ANM Schools to produce more doctors and paramedics are measure taken to bridge the gap in human resources. As on 31st March, 2011, the staff appointed under NRHM on contractual basis across the country are as under:

S.No.	Designation	No of staff
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1	Specialists	7063
2	General Duty Medical Officers	9432
3	AYUSH Doctors	11575
4	Staff Nurses	33667
5	ANM	60268
6	Para Medics	21740
7	AYUSH Para Medics	4616