

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

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JAN AUSHADHI OUTLETS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) the stipulated norms for opening of Jan Aushadhi Outlets;
- (b) whether there is any proposal regarding sale of cancer treatment drugs including costly medicines through these retail outlets;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any annual target has been envisioned for opening of new Jan Aushadhi Outlets in the country; and
- (e) if so, the State-wise details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) According to the Jan Aushadhi Campaign initiated by the Government of India, Department of Pharmaceuticals by way of Jan Aushadhi Stores in the Government Hospitals to make available quality generic medicines at affordable prices to all, by way of supply of medicines through Central Pharma Public Sector

Undertaking (CPSUs) and others, it was intended to open, to begin with, at least one Jan Aushadhi Store in each district, wherever the State Government extend their support and cooperation in allotting the space in the Government Hospital or other suitable locations and also identifying suitable agencies amongst NGOs, Charitable/Co-operative/ Hospitals and Government Bodies to manage such stores.

(b)&(C) At present, no anti-cancer drug is supplied by the CPSUs for sale at the Jan Aushadhi Stores.

(d)&(e) In terms of the Jan Aushadhi Campaign initiated, at least one Jan Aushadhi Store in each district is intended to be opened, wherever the State Government taking into account their prevailing health policy, extend their support and cooperation in allotting the space in the Government Hospitals or other suitable locations and also identifying the agencies amongst NGOs, Charitable/Co-operative/Hospitals and Government Bodies to manage such Jan Aushadhi Store. Since opening up of the Jan Aushadhi Stores depends upon the support and the cooperation provided by the State Governments, no specific targets and timelines can be fixed.