

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

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

- (a) the details of Jan Aushadhi Outlets opened during the last three years across the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government provides any incentives to promote opening of such outlets across the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of target fixed/achieved by the Government by setting up of such outlets during the last three years?

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) The details of the Jan Aushadhi Stores opened during the last three financial years across the country, State-wise are given in the Annexure attached.
- (b)&(c) Yes, Sir. In order to promote the Jan Aushadhi Campaign and to incentivize the operating agencies which open the Jan Aushadhi stores, a one-time financial assistance to the extent of Rs. 2.50 lakhs per store is provided to meet the expenditure incurred to create infrastructural facilities and the start up cost needed for opening the store.
- (d) Under the Jan Aushadhi campaign, at least one Jan Aushadhi store is intended to be opened in each district to begin with. Since the opening up of the Jan Aushadhi stores mainly depends upon the health policies of the respective State Governments, besides the support and cooperation they extend in allotting the space in the Government Hospitals and also recommend agencies to run such stores, no specific timeline can be indicated to achieve the intended target.