

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

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ABSENTEEISM OF DOCTOR IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Sub Centres (SCs) functioning in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether patients in rural areas suffer due to absenteeism of large number of doctors from duty posted in the rural areas; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

- (a) As per Rural Health Statistics in India, 2011, a state-wise statement showing the number of functional Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Sub Centres (SCs) in the country is annexed.
- (b) & (c) No report of patients suffering due to large scale absenteeism has come to the notice of Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. Public Health being State subject, administration of services at health care facilities including their management and day to day routine activities fall under the purview of respective State/UT Governments. States are being supported to strengthen their health systems so as to be able to provide better health care services.