

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

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SETTING UP OF HEALTH CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Primary Health Centre (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Sub-Centres (SCs) set up in rural areas during each of the last three years and the current year along with the number out of these functional, State/ UT-wise;
- (b) the total funds made available to open such centres in various States during the said period, along with the targets fixed for setting up of such centres during the Twelfth Five Year Plan, State/Ut-wise;
- (c) the details of facilities made available in these Centres;
- (d) whether there is shortage of medicines and other health facilities in these centres;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps being taken by the Government to make available maximum health facilities including medicines in these centres; and
- (f) the action plan formulated by the Government to provide health facilities to the areas which are presently deprived of such facilities?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ABU HASEM KHAN CHOUDHURY)

- (a): The number of Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Sub-Centres (SCs) centres set up in rural areas by the States/UTs during each of the last three years is not maintained. However, a state-wise statement of PHCs, CHCs and SCs functional as on March,2009, March,2010 and March,2011 as per Rural Health Statistics in India,2009, 2010 and 2011 is placed at Annexure-A. Such data is not available for March,2012
- (b): Public Health being a State subject, financial assistance is provided to State/UT Governments under NRHM to strengthen their health systems including development of infrastructure facilities based on the requirements posed by them in their annual Programme Implementation Plans. No targets are fixed for setting up of such centres. A state-wise statement showing approvals under NRHM for new construction and renovation for financial years 2009-10 & 2010-11 and for new constructions only for 2011-12 and current financial year is placed at Annexure B.
- (c): Services that are required to be provided at CHCs, PHCs and SCs is available as Annexure II in the National Rural Health Mission[NRHM] Framework for Implementation which is available at the official web-site of the Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare namely www.mohfw.nic.in/NRHM.htm.
- (d) & (e): As mentioned above, Public Health is a state subject. Therefore, no data is maintained about the availability of medicines and other facilities at each of the Centers (CHC, PHC, SC) at the national level. Financial support is provided to States under National Rural Health Mission to strengthen the health system including supply of drugs based on the requirement proposed by the State in their annual Programme Implementation Plans. States are being incentivized up to 5% of their total outlay to prepare policy and establish systems for free distribution of essential drugs.
- (f): The State/UT Governments are impressed upon from time to time to prioritise setting up of such facilities in underserved and unserved areas and support under NRHM is being provided to the States for this purpose. Higher resources are being allocated to States and Districts with weak health indicators. Further, incentives to health human resource to work in remote areas is also being provided.