

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:396
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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) whether the Union Government has received proposals from various States including Jharkhand for providing infrastructure and other support for opening Jan Aushadhi outlets in their States during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

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) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 396 for 20.12.2012

(a) to (c) As a result of the initiatives taken by the Department of Pharmaceutfe&s, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers and the responses received from the State Governments, Jan Aushadhi campaign has now spread into 12 States, namely, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Odisha, Punjab. Rajasthan, Utrakhand, West Bengal, UT of Chandigarh and Jharkhand. So far, 146 Jan Aushadhi stores (List Annexed) have been opened in these States (as of 30.11.2012). As State Governments are one of the major stake-holders in the campaign, they are required to provide free space in the Government Hospitals and also identify the reputed and qualified NGOs, Charitable/Co-operatives/Hospitals and Government Bodies to manage such stores, however much depends upon the co-operation extended by them. Moreover, to take this campaign forward in order to cover each district in the country, the success of this campaign will depend upon the health policies or the health programmes being followed by the respective State Governments, as to whether the medicines in the hospitals are given free or partially free, etc. in order to determine the feasibility and the viability for opening/managing such Jan Aushadhi Stores. In order to implement the Jan Aushadhi campaign effectively, the Bureau of Pharma Public Sector Undertakings (BPPU) a Registered Society under the Department of Pharmaceuticals, has written to all the other States and UTs to participate in this campaign by way of opening of Jan Aushadhi Stores in their States for the benefit of the common man. Recently requests have been received from Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim and Andaman Nicobar Islands to open Jan Aushadhi Drug Stores for the welfare of common man in their States. Bureau of Pharma Public Sector Undertakings (BPPU) in consultation with the Health Departments of these States would be working out the modalities to set up Jan Aushadhi Stores in these States in due course of time, after properly lining up the supply chain system. Requests from the other States in this regard are yet to be received.