

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CGHS DISPENSARIES AND HOSPITALS

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Allopathic/AYUSH dispensaries and hospitals under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries registered with these dispensaries, State/ UT-wise;
- (c) whether the present arrangements inCGHS dispensaries and hospitals are adequate to provide medical facilities to the beneficiaries;
- (d) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide adequate medical facilities in the CGHS dispensaries and hospitals; and
- (e) the other steps being taken by the Government to open more CGHS dispensaries/hospitals and also to empanel more number of private hospitals under CGHS in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) & (b) The State/UT-wise details are annexed.

(c) & (d): CGHS is facing shortage of qualified medical and paramedical professionals which are affecting the services of CGHS dispensaries to some extent. However, all efforts are made to provide proper healthcare services to the CGHS beneficiaries with the available resources. Retired Government doctors are also appointed on short term contract basis to meet the requirement of doctors. Continuous empanelment scheme has been revived in all CGHS cities for empanelment of more number of private hospitals to provide inpatient medical treatment to the beneficiaries.

(e) There is no proposal in this Ministry to expand CGHS in large number of places across the country due to resource constraints, especially the shortage of qualified medical and paramedical professionals besides financial and logistic constraints. However, a proposal has been mooted for opening at least one CGHS Wellness Centre each in the Capitals cities of States which do not have the presence of CGHS.

Continuous empanelment scheme has been revived on 14th February, 2013 in all CGHS cities for empanelment of more number of private hospitals, diagnostic laboratories and imaging centres with a view to provide more options to the beneficiaries for availing health care facilities.