

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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STRENGTHENING OF VETERINARY HOSPITALS DISPENSARIES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched any programme for establishment/ strengthening of veterinary hospitals/ dispensaries in the country especially in the rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of veterinary hospitals/ dispensaries/ doctors in the country including Madhya Pradesh;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to set up such institutions in various States including Madhya Pradesh; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a) & (b) In order to address the need to set up new veterinary hospitals/ dispensaries and to strengthen/ equip the existing ones, the Department has initiated a new component, namely, Establishment & Strengthening of Existing Veterinary Hospitals & Dispensaries (ESVHD) as part of Centrally Sponsored Scheme ' Livestock Health & Disease Control (LH&DC)' since August, 2010 and now provides financial assistance to States on 75:25 basis of cost norms of the scheme between the Centre and States except NE States, where the grants are provided on 90:10 basis. Under this component, during 2010-11, a sum of Rs.9726.50 lakhs has been provided to the States/UTs for new construction/ strengthening of veterinary hospitals/dispensaries. Similarly, a sum of Rs 9881.36 lakhs has been released to the States/UTs during 2011-12.

(c) As per the available information, the detailed State-wise list of veterinary hospitals/ polyclinics and dispensaries including Madhya Pradesh is enclosed as Annexure-I. State/ UT-wise list showing the number of registered veterinary practitioners as on 31st March, 2011 which is maintained by Veterinary Council of India is enclosed as Annexure-II.

(d) & (e) The veterinary hospitals/ polyclinics and dispensaries, etc. are set up by the States/ Union Territory Governments. However, the Department is providing financial assistance to the States/UTs including Madhya Pradesh to set up new veterinary hospitals/ dispensaries and to strengthen the existing ones as per the project proposal received from them under the scheme. During 2011-12, the Department has released a sum of Rs.1391.25 lakhs to State of Madhya Pradesh for strengthening of 221 veterinary hospitals and 250 veterinary dispensaries