

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

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PHYSIOTHERAPISTS

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

(a) the number of sanctioned posts of physiotherapists, senior physiotherapists and chief physiotherapists in the Central Government hospitals in the country, State/ UT-wise;

(b) whether a number of these posts are lying vacant for a long time, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the dates since such posts are lying vacant, post/hospital-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to fill up these vacancies and the time by which these vacant posts are likely to be filled up to ensure timely and better treatment to the patients?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) & (b): The details of sanctioned and vacant posts of Physiotherapists/Junior Physiotherapists and Sr. Physiotherapists in Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh, Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER) and three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi namely Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College and associated Hospitals and Chief Physiotherapists/Occupational Therapists, Senior Physiotherapists/Occupational Therapists and Physiotherapists/Occupational Therapists in AIIMS, New Delhi are given in Annexure.

(c): Post of physiotherapists is filled up by the Hospitals themselves. Senior physiotherapist is filled in consultation with UPSC. Filling of the posts is a continuous process and taken up as when fall vacant. However, in some cases due to non-availability of relevant recruitment rules, framing of recruitment rules, amendments of recruitment rules, time is taken to fill up those posts as it involves consultation with various Ministries, UPSC, etc.. The proposals for filling up of various posts of senior physiotherapists in the Central Government Hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College and associated Hospitals have been received in Directorate General of health Service, which is in the process of filling up those posts.