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Shortage of Doctors in CGHS Dispensaries
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- (a) whether there is shortage of doctors in the Central Government Health Scheme Dispensaries across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to rectify the situation?

Answer

(a): There is some shortage of doctors in the Central Government Health Scheme Dispensaries across the country.

(b): City wise details of doctors in CGHS is at Annexure.

Main reason for shortage of doctors in CGHS is low rate of joining of Medical officers.

(c): Following steps have been taken by the Government to rectify the situation:

(i) Sending requisitions and constant follow up with UPSC to fill up vacant posts.

(ii) Pending recommendations from UPSC, concerned units are permitted to make contractual appointments against the vacant posts for a period of one year or till the regular candidate joins, whichever is earlier as stop-gap arrangement in public interest so that the patient care does not suffer.

(iii) Promotions upto Senior Administrative Grade have been made time-bound without linkage to vacancies.

(iv) The age of superannuation of Non-Teaching and Public Health Specialists has been increased from 60 to 62 years.

(v) The period of study leave for CHS doctors has been increased to 36 months as against 24 months for other Central Government Employees.