## Sixteenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding condition of dispensaries under Central Government Health Scheme in West Bengal.

DR. RATNA DE (NAG) (HOOGHLY): The Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) caters to the health and well being of Central Government employees and MPs. But often I receive grievances from the CGHS beneficiaries of my Parliamentary Constituency that empanelled Hospitals under the CGHS are located at distant places, which cause hardships to sick persons. There is a need to increase the number of empanelled hospitals under CGHS in West Bengal. At present, there are only 20 General Purposes Hospitals, Exclusive Eye Hospitals, Diagnostic Centres under CGHS in West Bengal. This is certainly not enough.

There is also urgent need to increase the number of investigation centres/ Pathology clinics in West Bengal. There is need of proper maintenance and improvement of CGHS Dispensaries in West Bengal particularly near Kankargachi Kolkata (near VIP market).