

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3198
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH DECEMBER, 2019**

ROADMAP TO IMPROVE HEALTH SYSTEM

**3198. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:
SHRI RAKESH SINGH:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that there is a shortage of hospital and doctors in the country and half of the population of the country is not covered under any public healthcare scheme, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the NITI Aayog has prepared a report “Health System for a New India: Building Blocks-Potential Pathways to Reform”, to build a health system in the medium to long-term for those belonging to middle class, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the middle class has to pay for this healthcare delivery system and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the roadmap outlined to improve the country’s health system along with the timeframe set to achieve the same?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): Public Health and Hospitals being a State subject, the primary responsibility of provision of public healthcare and strengthening it to address the shortage of hospitals and doctors lies with the respective State/ UT Government. However, under National Health Mission (NHM), technical and financial support is provided to States/UTs for strengthening their healthcare systems on the basis of proposals received from States/ UTs in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

Also, Shortage of doctors in public health facilities varies from State to State depending upon their policies and context. However, As per the Rural Health Statistics (RHS) 2017-18, the state-wise details of shortfall of public healthcare facilities viz, Sub Health Centres (SHCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs) & Community Health Centres (CHCs), availability of Sub District Hospitals & District Hospitals and vacancy position of doctors at PHCs and CHCs are at Annexure-I to Annexure-III.

As per information provided by Medical Council of India (MCI), there are a total 11,59,309 allopathic doctors registered with the Medical Council of India as on 31st March, 2019. Assuming 80% availability, it is estimated that around 9.27 lakh doctors may be actually available for active service. It gives a doctor-population ratio of 1:1456 as per current population estimate of 1.35 billion, which is lower than the WHO norm of 1:1000.

Besides, there are 7.88 lakh Ayurveda, Unani and Homeopathy (AUH) doctors in the country. Assuming 80% availability, it is estimated that around 6.30 lakh Ayurveda, Unani and Homeopathy (AUH) doctors may be actually available for service and considered together with allopathic doctors, it gives a doctor population ratio of 1:867.

(b): NITI Aayog has released the report on “*Health Systems for a New India: Building Blocks - Potential Pathways to Reforms*”. The report consolidates global findings on key health system themes of financing and provisioning with a focus on risk pooling, strategic purchasing, and health service provisioning and digital health. With insights to transform the Indian health system in the 21st Century, the report presents a preliminary menu of strategic choices available before India to reform its healthcare system. The detailed report is available in public domain at <https://niti.gov.in/node/916>.

(c): Under NHM, financial support is provided to Public healthcare facilities in primary and secondary health sector in the States/ UTs to provide majority of services free of cost to all those visiting the facilities including middle class. Further, Ayushman Bharat, Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) scheme provides health coverage up to Rs. 5.00 lakh per family per year to around 10.74 crore poor and vulnerable families as per Socio Economic Caste Census (SECC).

(d): National Health Policy, 2017 outlines the priorities and targets along with time frames to achieve it in healthcare systems. The detailed NHP, 2017 is available in public domain at https://www.nhp.gov.in/NHPfiles/national_health_policy_2017.pdf.

Annexure-I

		SHORTFALL IN HEALTH FACILITIES AS PER 2011 POPULATION IN INDIA (As on 31st March, 2018)											
S.No.	State/ UT	Sub Centres				PHCs				CHCs			
		R	P	S	% Shortfall	R	P	S	% Shortfall	R	P	S	% Shortfall
1	Andhra Pradesh	7261	7458	*	*	1197	1147	50	4	299	193	106	35
2	Arunachal Pradesh	318	312	6	2	48	143	*	*	12	63	*	*
3	Assam	5850	4644	1206	21	954	946	8	1	238	172	66	28
4	Bihar	18637	9949	8688	47	3099	1899	1200	39	774	150	624	81
5	Chhattisgarh	4885	5200	*	*	774	793	*	*	193	169	24	12
6	Goa	122	214	*	*	19	25	*	*	4	4	0	0
7	Gujarat	8008	9153	*	*	1290	1474	*	*	322	363	*	*
8	Haryana	3301	2589	712	22	550	368	182	33	137	113	24	18
9	Himachal Pradesh	1285	2084	*	*	212	576	*	*	53	91	*	*
10	Jammu & Kashmir	2009	2967	*	*	327	637	*	*	81	84	*	*
11	Jharkhand	6060	3848	2212	37	966	298	668	69	241	171	70	29
12	Karnataka	7951	9443	*	*	1306	2359	*	*	326	206	120	37
13	Kerala	3551	5380	*	*	589	849	*	*	147	227	*	*
14	Madhya Pradesh	12415	11192	1223	10	1989	1171	818	41	497	309	188	38
15	Maharashtra	13512	10638	2874	21	2201	1823	378	17	550	361	189	34
16	Manipur	509	429	80	16	80	91	*	*	20	23	*	*
17	Meghalaya	759	443	316	42	114	108	6	5	28	28	0	0
18	Mizoram	172	370	*	*	25	57	*	*	6	9	*	*
19	Nagaland	455	396	59	13	68	126	*	*	17	21	*	*
20	Odisha	8193	6688	1505	18	1315	1288	27	2	328	377	*	*
21	Punjab	3468	2950	518	15	578	432	146	25	144	151	*	*
22	Rajasthan	11459	14405	*	*	1861	2078	*	*	465	588	*	*
23	Sikkim	113	147	*	*	18	24	*	*	4	2	2	50
24	Tamil Nadu	7533	8712	*	*	1251	1421	*	*	312	385	*	*
25	Telangana	4708	4744	*	*	768	643	125	16	192	91	101	53
26	Tripura	691	1020	*	*	109	108	1	1	27	22	5	19
27	Uttarakhand	1442	1847	*	*	238	257	*	*	59	67	*	*

28	Uttar Pradesh	31200	20521	10679	34	5194	3621	1573	30	1298	822	476	37
29	West Bengal	13083	10357	2726	21	2153	913	1240	58	538	348	190	35
30	A & N Islands	50	123	*	*	8	22	*	*	2	4	*	*
31	Chandigarh	5	17	*	*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	D & N Haveli	56	71	*	*	8	9	*	*	2	2	0	0
33	Daman & Diu	13	26	*	*	2	4	*	*	0	2	*	*
34	Delhi	83	12	71	86	13	5	8	62	3	0	3	100
35	Lakshadweep	4	14	*	*	0	4	*	*	0	3	*	*
36	Puducherry	79	54	25	32	13	24	*	*	3	3	0	0
	All India/ Total	179240	158417	32900	18	29337	25743	6430	22	7322	5624	2188	30

Notes: The requirement is calculated using the prescribed norms on the basis of rural population from Census, 2011. All India shortfall is derived by adding state-wise figures of shortfall ignoring the existing surplus in some of the states.

*R: Required; P: In Position; S: Shortfall; *: Surplus*

Annexure-II

NUMBER OF SUB DIVISIONAL HOSPITAL & DISTRICT HOSPITAL FUNCTIONING			
S. No.	State/UT	As on 31st March 2018	
		Sub Divisional Hospital	District Hospital (DH)
1	Andhra Pradesh	31	8
2	Arunachal	NA	18
3	Assam	14	25
4	Bihar	55	36
5	Chhattisgarh	19	26
6	Goa	2	2
7	Gujarat	37	22
8	Haryana	21	22
9	Himachal Pradesh	71	12
10	Jammu &	NA	22
11	Jharkhand	13	23
12	Karnataka	146	15
13	Kerala	81	18
14	Madhya Pradesh	66	51
15	Maharashtra	89	23
16	Manipur	1	8
17	Meghalaya	1	12
18	Mizoram	2	9
19	Nagaland	NA	11
20	Odisha	33	32
21	Punjab	41	22
22	Rajasthan	19	27
23	Sikkim	NA	4
24	Tamil Nadu	278	31
25	Telangana	31	6
26	Tripura	12	7
27	Uttarakhand	18	18
28	Uttar Pradesh	NA	171
29	West Bengal	36	23
30	A & N Islands	NA	3
31	Chandigarh	1	1
32	Dadra & Nagar	1	1
33	Daman & Diu	NA	2
34	Delhi	9	47
35	Lakshadweep	2	1
36	Puducherry	NA	5
	All India/ Total	1130	764

Note:

NA Not Applicable

Annexure-III

VACANCY POSITION AT A GLANCE (Number of posts vacant against sanctioned)			
(As on 31st March, 2018)			
S. No	State/UT	Medical Officer [PHC]	Specialists [CHC]
1	Andhra Pradesh	222	149
2	Arunachal Pradesh	NA	NA
3	Assam	NA	NA
4	Bihar	292	NA
5	Chhattisgarh	434	595
6	Goa	*	*
7	Gujarat	544	1059
8	Haryana	60	42
9	Himachal Pradesh	14	NA
10	Jammu & Kashmir	653	88
11	Jharkhand	216	592
12	Karnataka	223	326
13	Kerala	*	*
14	Madhya Pradesh	659	988
15	Maharashtra	80	338
16	Manipur	44	1
17	Meghalaya	*	*
18	Mizoram	93	33
19	Nagaland	*	NA
20	Odisha	409	1276
21	Punjab	113	488
22	Rajasthan	355	1166
23	Sikkim	NA	NA
24	Tamil Nadu	356	NA
25	Telangana	188	208
26	Tripura	*	*
27	Uttarakhand	184	239
28	Uttar Pradesh	3165	1907
29	West Bengal	252	544
30	A& N Islands	8	9
31	Chandigarh	0	0
32	D & N Haveli	7	0
33	Daman & Diu	1	3
34	Delhi	*	0
35	Lakshadweep	0	0
36	Puducherry	*	*
	All India/Total	8572	10051

Note: * Surplus