

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. †*388
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd March, 2021

Jan Aushadhi Kendras at Panchayat and Block Level

†*388. **SADHVI PRAGYA SINGH THAKUR:**

Will the Minister of **CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS** be pleased to state:

- (a) the norms laid down for the opening of Jan Aushadhi Kendras in the country;
- (b) Whether the Government proposes to open Jan Aushadhi Kendras at Panchayat and Block levels in the country, particularly in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
(SHRI D.V. SADANANADA GOWDA)**

- (a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED Q.NO. 388 FOR ANSWER ON 23.03.2021 REGARDING JAN AUSHADHI KENDRAS AT PANCHAYAT AND BLOCK LEVEL

(a) As per internal guidelines framed by the Bureau of Pharma PSU of India (BPPI), the Implementing Agency of the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), any individual possessing D. Pharma/B. Pharma qualifications or any individual/organization that has employed a person with D. Pharma/B. Pharma qualifications for getting drug license from the State Government concerned is eligible to open Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendra (PMBJK). The basic requirements which an applicant need to fulfill for applying to open PMBJK are as follows:

- i. Minimum 120 sq. ft. space duly supported by proper documents.
- ii. Registration details of the pharmacist with the State Pharmacy Council.
- iii. Certificate/proof from the authorities concerned along with undertaking for applicants under category of Divyang, SC and ST entrepreneurs.

(b) (c) & (d) More than 7,520 PMBJKs are presently functional in all the Districts in the country. The opening of PMBJKs in the country, including in Block and Gram Panchayat areas, depends on receipt of applications from the individual entrepreneur and availability of pharmacist. BPPI accords preference to applications received for opening PMBJKs in Block and Gram Panchayat areas and process them on priority basis.
