GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3885 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12TH AUGUST, 2025

VACANT POSTS OF VETERINARY OFFICERS

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Will the Minister of FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन और डेयरी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of posts of veterinary officers are currently vacant in various States along with the steps taken by the Government to fill them, particularly in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that veterinary services in many States are being affected due to lack of adequate human resources, leading to financial and practical difficulties for animal husbandry farmers;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any national or State level schemes for quick recruitment of vacant posts in various States; and
- (d) whether any policy is likely to be implemented for creation of new posts and providing employment to veterinary graduates?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING

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(a) & (b) As received from the States/UTs, the details of sanctioned and vacant posts of Veterinary doctors is placed as Annexure-I.

Animal Husbandry is State subject and the staffing of government hospitals is done by the States depending on their requirement based on the parameters like geographical status, disease epidemiology, animal profile etc. However, Department under Livestock Health & Disease Control Program (LHDCP) provides financial support to States/UTs on sharing basis for the delivery of veterinary healthcare services at farmer's door step through Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs). Each MVU is manned by one veterinary doctor. The operational cost including the salary, POL, medicines are also funded on sharing basis. Accordingly, as on date, total 4,019 MVUs are operational across 29 States/UTs, service of which is availed by needy livestock farmers through a Toll-free call number 1962.

(c) and (d) Since Animal Husbandry is State subject; Central government has no policy for creation of new posts for employment of Veterinarians in the state hospital. As per the information received from States/UTs, respective State/UT takes action in regard to creation of new posts and filling up of vacant posts as per their recruitment rule.

 ${\bf Annexure-I}$ The details of sanctioned and vacant posts of Veterinary doctors State/UT wise

S.No.	State/UT	Sanctioned posts of Veterinary doctors	Vacant posts of Veterinary doctors
1	Andhra Pradesh	2743	340
2	Arunachal Pradesh	176	17
3	Assam	703	37
4	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	43	6
5	Bihar	2067	860
6	Chhattisgarh	784	68
7	Chandigarh	5	0
8	Delhi	58	11
9	Dadra Nagar & Haveli; Daman & Diu	3	2
10	Goa	58	11
11	Gujarat	810	432
12	Haryana	1184	160
13	Himachal Pradesh	598	53
14	Jammu & Kashmir	1229	81
15	Jharkhand	774	237
16	Karnataka	3317	1156
17	Kerala	1651	115
18	Ladakh	42	15
19	Lakshadweep	13	0
20	Madhya Pradesh	1708	270
21	Maharashtra	4685	3072
22	Manipur	163	48
23	Meghalaya	262	0
24	Mizoram	68	46
25	Nagaland	165	14
26	Odisha	1909	611
27	Puducherry	33	25
28	Punjab	1508	555
29	Rajasthan	3691	1367
30	Sikkim	84	34
31	Tamil Nadu	3030	299
32	Telangana	1224	46
33	Tripura	348	196
34	Uttar Pradesh	1984	506
35	Uttarakhand	463	30
36	West Bengal	1333	119
	Total	38916	10839
