

GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT

MEGHALAYA, SHILLONG

Press Communiqué

Shillong, March 28, 2026: The Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, Shri C.H. Vijayashankar, visited the *Jan Aushadhi Kendras* at Ganesh Das Government Medical College Hospital. Dr. Sampath Kumar, Addl. Chief Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Health and Family Welfare Department, Shri H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor, officials from Health & Family Welfare department, students from Shillong Medical College and beneficiaries of *Pradhan Mantri Bharatiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana* (PMBJP) were present during the visit .

During the visit the Hon'ble Governor highlighted the importance of the **Pradhan Mantri Bharatiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP)** in ensuring affordable and accessible healthcare for all. He noted that **Jan Aushadhi Kendras** are playing a crucial role in providing quality generic medicines at significantly lower prices, thereby reducing the financial burden on citizens.

Emphasizing the relevance of the scheme for Meghalaya, the Hon'ble Governor stated that the expansion of *Jan Aushadhi Kendras*, especially in rural and remote areas, can greatly improve access to essential medicines. He further observed that encouraging pharmacists, self-help groups, and young entrepreneurs to open these *Kendras* would not only strengthen grassroots healthcare services but also generate employment opportunities in the state.

The Hon'ble Governor urged all stakeholders, including healthcare professionals and citizens, to promote awareness about the benefits of generic medicines and actively support implementation of the scheme. He reiterated that such initiatives are vital for building an inclusive and resilient healthcare system in the State.







