

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2316**  
ANSWERED ON 08.08.2025

**LACK OF PROPER HEALTH CENTRES IN TEA GARDENS OF ANDREW YULE  
GROUP**

**2316. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE:**

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are no proper health centres with even basic medical facilities in Karbala, New Dooars, Banarhat and Choonabhutti tea gardens of Andrew Yule group; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES  
(SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)**

**(a) & (b):** There are proper health centres, managed by Andrew Yule Company Limited (AYCL) in Karbala, New Dooars, Banarhat and Choonabhutti tea gardens equipped to provide essential healthcare services to plantation workers and their families. Further, the health centres are equipped with ambulance facility to refer patients to sub-divisional or district hospitals and also integrated with the State Government's 'Su-Swasthya Kendra' initiative, particularly for maternity care, antenatal /postnatal services and vaccination drives.

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