

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.756  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022**

**GOVERNMENT MEDICAL COLLEGES IN ANDHRA PRADESH**

**756. SHRI V. VIJAYSAI REDDY:**

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

- (a) whether the Ministry is aware that due to bifurcation, people in Andhra Pradesh are finding it difficult to get tertiary medical facilities;
- (b) whether the Ministry is also aware that new districts of East Godavari, West Godavari, Eluru, Bapatla, Vizianagaram, ParvathipuramManyam, Anakapalli, Konaseema, Chittoor, Annamayya, Sri SatyaSai and Nandyala do not have Government Medical College;
- (c) whether State Government of Andhra Pradesh recently requested the Ministry of Health for establishing 12 Medical Colleges in the State to deal with the shortage of tertiary health care facilities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and action taken by the Ministry on the same?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY  
WELFARE  
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare administers a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for 'Establishment of new Medical Colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals' with preference to underserved areas and aspirational districts, where there is no existing Government or private medical college. Under the Scheme, the envisaged 157 new medical colleges have been approved in three phases including three medical colleges in Andhra Pradesh at Piduguralla, Paderu and Machilipatnam.

Under the CSS for upgradation of Central/State Government Medical Colleges for increasing MBBS seats, 150 MBBS seats were approved for increase in 03 Medical Colleges of

Andhra Pradesh. Further, under two phases of CSS for Strengthening and upgradation of State Government Medical Colleges for starting new PG discipline and increasing PG seats, total of 1040 PG seats have been approved for increase in 11 Medical Colleges in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

As per the National Medical Commission, there are 32 Medical Colleges, including 13 in Government Sector, in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The request received from State Government of Andhra Pradesh for establishment of medical colleges was not considered as all 157 new medical colleges under the scheme are already sanctioned.

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