

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. #2326  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2023**

**MEDICAL COLLEGES IN TRIBAL DISTRICTS OF MADHYA PRADESH**

**# 2326. DR. SUMER SINGH SOLANKI:**

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

- (a) whether Government plans to open medical colleges in the tribal districts of Madhya Pradesh, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) if not, the details of criteria for opening such institutions?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): The Government has increased number of medical colleges and subsequently increased MBBS seats. There is an increase of 71% in Medical Colleges from 387 before 2014 to 660 as of now. Further, there is an increase of 97% in MBBS seats from 51,348 before 2014 to 101,043 as of now, there is also an increase of 110% in PG seats from 31,185 before 2014 to 65,335 as of now, including, Diplomate of National Board (DNB) / Fellowship of National Board (FNB) PG seats and PG seats in College of Physicians and Surgeons (CPS).

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 with fund sharing between the Centre and State Governments in the ratio of 90:10 for North Eastern and Special Category States and 60:40 for others. Under the Scheme, 157 Medical colleges have been approved in three phases including 14 medical colleges in the State of Madhya Pradesh, of which 06 Medical Colleges have been

approved in tribal districts of the State, namely, Mandla, Shahdol, Chhindwara, Singrauli, Ratlam & Khandwa (East Nimar).

In addition, support has also been provided to the State of Madhya Pradesh under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) for upgradation of 04 Government Medical Colleges by setting up of Super Specialty blocks. Further, AIIMS at Bhopal has also been established.

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