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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1399 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST AUGUST, 2023

MEDICAL COLLEGES IN ASSAM

1399 SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is constructing various medical colleges across Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) when it will be functioned properly; and
- (d) the number of medical colleges being planned to construct in near future?

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 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, a total of 157 Government medical colleges have been approved in three phases, including 05 medical colleges in Assam. The details of medical colleges approved in Assam are as under:

S.No.	Districts	Functional
Phase - I		
1.	Dhubri	Yes
2.	Nagaon	Yes
3.	North Lakhimpur	Yes
4.	Diphu	Yes
Phase - III		
5.	Kokrajhar	Yes

Further, support has been provided under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for strengthening/ upgradation of existing State Government/ Central Government Medical Colleges, to increase 143 PG seats in 03 Medical colleges in Assam.

In addition, support has also been provided to the State of Assam under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) for upgradation of 02 Government Medical Colleges by setting up of Super Specialty blocks. Further, AIIMS at Guwahati has also been established.
