

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 274
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 05th DECEMBER, 2023**

VACANT SEATS IN PG AND UG MEDICAL EDUCATION

274. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI:

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

- (a) the number of medical seats remained vacant in PG and UG in current academic session along with the reasons, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that for the first time percentile has been dropped to zero for PG admission;
- (c) whether it is a fact that students were allotted seat in PG who scored 11 out of 800 in general category and 5 out of 800 in OBC category;
- (d) whether it is a fact that General candidates scoring less than SC/ST candidates also being allotted seats; and
- (e) the details of the steps taken by Government to resolve this crisis?

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

(a) to (e): The Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) of Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) conducts the counselling for seats of (UG/PG) courses as per the scheme devised by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

In the current academic year, the total number of vacant UG seats is 485 as informed by National Medical Commission. The percentile has been dropped to zero for PG admission to fill up the vacant seats, and therefore every candidate who appeared in NEET-PG becomes eligible to participate in counselling. Special stray vacancy rounds have been conducted for PG counselling in the current academic year to fill the seats. 247 seats under All India Quota for PGs have been reported to be vacant.
