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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1091 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2025

VIOLATION OF NMC GUIDELINES BY PRIVATE MEDICAL COLLEGES IN WEST BENGAL

1091. SHRI SAMIK BHATTACHARYA:

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

- a) whether Government is aware of violations of National Medical Commission (NMC) guidelines by private medical colleges in West Bengal;
- b) the details of such violations over the last three years, including any institutions operating without approval;
- c) whether Sanjiban Hospital and Medical College, Howrah, has been found operating without NMC approval and the legal action initiated in this regard;
- d) the number of private and Government medical colleges in West Bengal received penalties, show-cause notices, or threats of seat reduction for non-compliance with infrastructure, faculty, stipend, or data-submission norms; and
- e) the steps taken to protect students enrolled in such institutions?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a) and (b): As informed by National Medical Commission (NMC), 34 medical colleges (Government & Private) in academic year 2024-25 and 37 medical colleges (Government & Private) in academic year 2025-26 of West Bengal were found deficient with respect to Faculty/infrastructure/ other clinical parameters and Show Cause notices were issued to them. Accordingly, for the A.Y. 2024-25 as per the nature of deficiencies, monetary penalties were also imposed on these colleges and for the A.Y. 2025-26 based on the compliance reports submitted by these colleges, conditional renewal of MBBS seats have been granted.
- (c) Sanjiban Hospital and Medical College in West Bengal has been cited for operating without the necessary approval from the NMC. Accordingly, an advisory/alert note on 19/05/2025 was issued including the name of Sanjiban Hospital and Medical College.

- (d) Further, Post Graduate Medical Education Board (PGMEB) of NMC also while scrutinizing the recognition/ renewal of recognition applications for the year 2022 had observed deficiencies primarily relating to the faculty/ infrastructure/AEBAS and penalized some colleges by reducing the number of seats for AY 2024-25 under the provisions of Maintenance of Standards of Medical Education Regulations, 2023 (MSMER-2023) and erstwhile Post Graduate Medical Education Regulations, (PGMER-2000). The details of such colleges in West Bengal is placed at Annexure.
- (e) Under Graduate Medical Education Board (UGMEB) of NMC vide its Advisory dated 19.5.2025 has issued alert to all concerned stakeholders against unauthorized medical colleges operating in the country without requisite approvals from NMC and misleading students and parents by claiming recognition and offering admissions in medical courses that are not legally sanctioned.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred question no. 1091 for answer on 29.07.2025

List of penalised colleges in West Bengal

S. No.	Name of colleges	Courses and seats	Reduction order date	Deficiencies
1	Bankura Sammilani Medical College & Hospital, Bankura	MD- Anesthesiology (11-9)	29.12.2023	Faculty deficiency
		MD- General Medicine (5 to 4)	29.12.2023	Faculty deficiency & inadequate workload
		MS- General Surgery (17-14)	12.01.2024	Faculty, infrastructure, operation theatre, casualty & emergency deficiencies
		MD – Pediatrics (5 to 4)	03.01.2024	Faculty deficiency
2	Midnapore Medical College & Hospital, Midnapore	MD – Anesthesiology (8-7) MD- General Medicine (15 to 11)	29.12.2023	Faculty deficiency
3	Burdwan Medical College, Burdwan	MD – Dermatology, Venereology & Leprosy (3 to 2)	27.03.2024	Inadequate bed and its occupancy
		MS-General Surgery (18 to 16)	29.12.2023	Faculty deficiency
4	Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research, Kolkata	MD- General Medicine (15 to 14)	05.04.2024	Faculty deficiency
		MS- General Surgery (19 to 17)	02.01.2024	
5	Nil Ratan Sircar Medical College, Kolkata	MD- General Medicine (12 to 10)	04.12.2023	Faculty deficiency
6	RG kar Medical College, Kolkata	MS- Obstetrics & Gynecology (25 to 22)	29.12.2023	Surgical load is inadequate
		MD – Respiratory Medicine (10 to 8)	03.01.2024	Inadequate number of beds
7	Medical College, Kolkata	MD – Respiratory Medicine (6 to 5)	25.01.2024	Faculty deficiency