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

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 273 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2025

#### DOCTOR-PATIENT RATIO IN THE COUNTRY

#### **273. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:**

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

- (a) the current doctor-patient ratio in the country, State-wise; and
- (b) the efforts made by Government to improve the ratio, in the last five years?

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

(a) & (b): Assuming that 80% of registered practitioners in both the allopathic and AYUSH systems are available, the doctor-population ratio in the country is estimated to be 1:811.

The measures/steps taken by the Government to increase the doctor/medical professionals in the country include:-

- Centrally Sponsored Scheme for establishment of new medical college by upgrading district/ referral hospital under which 131 new medical colleges are functional out of 157 approved medical colleges.
- Centrally Sponsored Scheme for strengthening/ upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government Medical Colleges to increase MBBS and PG seats.
- Under "Upgradation of Government Medical Colleges by construction of Super Specialty Blocks" of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) scheme, a total of 75 projects have been approved, of which 71 projects are complete.
- Under the Central Sector Scheme for setting up of new AIIMS, 22 AIIMS have been approved. Undergraduate courses have been started in 19 of these.

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