

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1059
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th JULY, 2026**

STRENGTHENING MEDICAL EDUCATION CAPACITY IN KARNATAKA

1059. SHRI JAGGESH:

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

- (a) whether Central Government has undertaken measures to expand medical education capacity in Karnataka through the upgradation and strengthening of Government Medical Colleges;
- (b) if so, the details of infrastructure projects sanctioned, including teaching hospitals, laboratories, hostels and academic blocks;
- (c) the total Central share allocated and released for such projects during the last five years;
- (d) whether Government proposes similar support for other States to increase the availability of doctors and specialists in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): 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. The fund sharing mechanism between the Centre and State Governments is in the ratio of 90:10 for North Eastern and Special Category States, and 60:40 for others. Under the Scheme, 157 Government medical colleges have been approved in three phases including 04 medical colleges (Chikkamagaluru, Haveri, Yadgiri & Chikkaballapura) in Karnataka with an approved cost of Rs. 1300 cr. Entire Central share has been released to the State Government. All the four medical colleges are functional.

This Ministry, with a view to strengthening and upgrading the infrastructure of existing Government Medical Colleges, is implementing Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) for increasing MBBS (Undergraduate) and Postgraduate (PG) seats. Under these schemes, financial assistance is provided to States/UTs based on the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs)/proposals submitted by them, in accordance with their requirements and the provisions of the Scheme.

Under the MBBS Scheme, the Ministry has approved the creation of 5,900 MBBS seats at a total approved cost of ₹7,356.70 crore, including 1,100 MBBS seats in the State of Karnataka. Similarly, under the PG Scheme, financial assistance has been approved for the creation of 9,118 PG seats at a total approved cost of ₹7,565.54 crore, including 642 PG seats in Karnataka.
