

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4893
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2018**

NEET-PG Exam

4893 . SHRI JOSE K. MANI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of students appearing for the NEET-PG exam from Kerala and the number of exam centres in the State;
- (b) whether it is a fact that due to shortage of exam centres in Kerala many students appearing for NEET-PG 2018 exam had been allotted centres in other states;
- (c) if so, whether the Ministry plans to increase the number of test centres for the NEET-PG examination in the state in order to reduce the hardships caused to students; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)**

- (a): NEET-PG examination is conducted by National Board of Examination under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. As per information received from Ministry of Health, the number of candidates who appeared in NEET-PG exam and have done their MBBS from Kerala/ registered in State Medical Council of Kerala are 7093. NEET-PG 2018 was conducted on 07th January 2018 in a single session all across the country with the exam being held in 9 cities with 27 centres(some cities had more than one centre) in the state of Kerala.
- (b): As mentioned in the information Bulletin of NEET-PG 2018 the examination city was chosen by the candidate himself/ herself on first come first serve basis at the time of online submission of Application form. Candidates vide NBE Public Notice dated 8/11/2017 has been given an option to choose from the list of State during online submission of application form in case a testing seat was not available in the state of their choice. National Board of Examination has allotted a test centre in the state of correspondence address of the candidate or in a nearby state.
- (c) & (d): No specific plan to increase the number of seats in the state is there.
