

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 239
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21ST JULY, 2023**

SANCTION OF NEW MEDICAL COLLEGES

239. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently approved 50 new medical colleges in the country and if so, State/UT-wise details thereof along with the number of MBBS seats likely to be added to the existing seats;
- (b) whether it is a fact that out of these 50 medical colleges, some private medical colleges have also been approved and if so, the criteria adopted for opening of such colleges;
- (c) whether any new medical colleges have been sanctioned for the hilly and backward States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to address the needs of backward and hilly States for medical education in the country?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
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(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 with fund sharing between the Centre and State Governments 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. The State-wise details of medical colleges approved under the Scheme are at Annexure.

The Government has increased number of medical colleges and subsequently increased MBBS seats. There is an increase of 82% in medical colleges from 387 before 2014 to 704 as of now. Further, there is an increase of 110% in MBBS seats from 51,348 before 2014 to 1,07,948 as of now. Some of the measures/steps taken by the Government to augment the medical education facilities and to improve the medical standards in the country include: -

- i. CSS for establishment of new medical colleges by upgrading district/ referral hospital under which 157 new medical colleges have been approved, out of which 107 are already functional.
- ii. CSS for strengthening/ upgradation of existing State Government/ Central Government medical colleges to increase the number of MBBS (UG) and PG seats.
- iii. Under “Upgradation of Government medical colleges by construction of Super Specialty Blocks” of PMSSY scheme, a total of 75 projects have been approved, of which 62 projects are complete.
- iv. Under the Central Sector Scheme for setting up of new AIIMS, 22 AIIMS have been approved. Undergraduate courses have started in 19 of these.
- v. Relaxation in the norms for setting up of medical college in terms of requirement for faculty, staff, bed strength and other infrastructure.
- vi. DNB qualification has been recognized for appointment as teaching faculty to take care of shortage of faculty.
- vii. Enhancement of age limit for appointment/ extension/ re-employment against posts of teachers/dean/principal/ director in medical colleges upto 70 years.

Annexure**State-wise details of 157 Medical Colleges approved under the Centrally Sponsored scheme for
'Establishment of new medical colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals'**

S.No	State/UT	No. of colleges	Districts
Phase-I (58)			
1	A & N Islands	1	Port Blair
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1	Naharlagun
3	Assam	4	Dhubri, Nagaon, North Lakhimpur, Diphu
4	Bihar	3	Purnia, Saran (Chhapara), Samastipur
5	Chhattisgarh	2	Rajnandgaon, Sarguja
6	Himachal Pradesh	3	Chamba, Hamirpur, Nahan (Sirmour)
7	Haryana	1	Bhiwani
8	Jharkhand	3	Dumka, Hazaribagh, Palamu (Daltonganj)
9	Jammu & Kashmir	5	Anantnag, Baramulla, Rajouri, Doda, Kathua
10	Madhya Pradesh	7	Datia, Khandwa, Ratlam, Shahdol, Vidisha, Chindwara, Shivpuri
11	Maharashtra	1	Gondia
12	Meghalaya	1	West Garo Hills (Tura)
13	Mizoram	1	Falkawn
14	Nagaland	1	Naga Hospital (Kohima)
15	Odisha	5	Balasore, Baripada (Mayurbhanj), Bolangir, Koraput, Puri
16	Punjab	1	SAS Nagar
17	Rajasthan	7	Barmer, Bharatpur, Bhilwara, Churu, Dungarpur, Pali, Sikar
18	Uttar Pradesh	5	Basti, Faizabad, Firozabad, Shahjahanpur, Bahraich
19	Uttarakhand	1	Almora
20	West Bengal	5	Birbhum (Rampur Hat), Cooch behar, Diamond harbour, Purulia, Raiganj (North Dinajpur)
Phase -II (24)			
1	Bihar	5	Sitamarhi, Jhanjharpur, Siwan, Buxar, Jamui
2	Jharkhand	2	Koderma, Chaibasa (Singhbhum)
3	Madhya Pradesh	1	Satna
4	Odisha	1	Jajpur
5	Rajasthan	1	Dholpur
6	Uttar Pradesh	8	Etah, Hardoi, Pratapgarh, Fatehpur, Siddharthnagar (Domariyaganj), Deoria, Ghazipur, Mirzapur
7	West Bengal	5	Barasat, Uluberia, Arambagh, Jhargram, Tamluk
8	Sikkim	1	Gangtok
Phase-III (75)			
1	Andhra Pradesh	3	Piduguralla, Paderu, Machilipatnam
2	Assam	1	Kokrajhar
3	Chhattisgarh	3	Korba, Mahasamund, Kanker
4	Gujarat	5	Narmada, Navsari, Panchmahal, Porbandar, Morbi
5	Jammu & Kashmir	2	Udhampur, Handwara (Distt. Kupwara)

S.No	State/UT	No. of colleges	Districts
6	Karnataka	4	Chikkamagaluru, Haveri, Yadgiri, Chikkaballapura
7	Ladakh	1	Leh
8	Madhya Pradesh	6	Rajgarh, Mandla, Neemuch, Mandsaur, Sheopur, Singrauli
9	Maharashtra	1	Nandurbar
10	Manipur	1	Churachandpur
11	Nagaland	1	Mon
12	Odisha	1	Kalahandi
13	Punjab	2	Kapurthala, Hoshiarpur
14	Rajasthan	15	Alwar, Baran, Bansawara, Chittorgarh, Jaisalmer, Karauli, Nagaur, Shri Ganganagar, Sirohi, Bundi, SawaiMadhopur, Tonk, Hanumangarh, Jhunjhunu, Dausa
15	Uttarakhand	3	Rudrapur (Distt. Udham Singh Nagar), Pithoragarh, Haridwar
16	Uttar Pradesh	14	Bijnaur, Kushinagar, Sultanpur, Gonda, Lalitpur, LakhimpurKheri, Chandauli, Bulandshahar, Sonbhadra, Pilibhit, Auraiya, Kanpur Dehat, Kaushambi, Amethi
17	Tamil Nadu	11	Tiruppur, Nilgiris, Ramanathapuram, Namakkal, Dindigul, Virudhunagar, Krishnagiri, Tiruvallur, Nagapattinam, Ariyalur, Kallakurichi
18	West Bengal	1	Jalpaiguri