NEW MEDICAL COLLEGES

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

(a) whether Phase-IV of the establishment of 100 new medical colleges and upgradation of existing district/referral hospitals has been approved by the EFC in October, 2022 and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government is planning to spend Rs. 4,500 crores in 2023-24 for the said purpose;
(c) the total amount required for 100 medical colleges along with the break-up of the Central and State share;
(d) whether allocation for 157 medical colleges has been reduced from Rs. 7,500 crores to Rs. 6,500 crores and if so, the details thereof and the reasons thereof;
(e) whether Rs. 4,500 crores for medical colleges to be set up in Phase-IV is adequate and if so, the details thereof;
(f) the details of the districts in which medical colleges are proposed to be set up by the Government in Telangana; and
(g) whether earlier proposals sent for the establishment of colleges in the State are going to be approved by the Government and if not, the reasons thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (g): 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, all the envisaged 157 Government medical colleges have already been approved in three phases, at a total central share of Rs. 26715.84 crore, of which Rs. 22324.95 crore has already been released to the State/UT Governments. The budget allocation for the financial year 2023-24 is Rs. 6500 crore for CSS for medical education.

Phase-IV of the CSS for “Establishment of New Medical Colleges attached with existing District/ Referral Hospitals” has not been approved.

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