

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1095
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8TH DECEMBER, 2023**

MEDICAL COLLEGE IN KARAIKAL, PUDUCHERRY

1095. SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish a Medical College in Karaikal district, Puducherry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to extend special assistance to the UT administration for establishing a Medical College in Karaikal district; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The UT of Puducherry has a total of 09 medical colleges (2 Government & 7 Private) with an annual intake of 1830 MBBS seats (380 Government and 1450 private) including one private medical colleges at Karaikal with an intake capacity of 150 MBBS seats. 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, all the envisaged 157 Government medical colleges have already been approved in three phases.
