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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 983 TO BE ANSWERED ON 8TH DECEMBER, 2023

PUBLIC HEALTH ENTOMOLOGY STUDIES

983. SHRI L. S. TEJASVI SURYA:

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

- (a) whether Public Health Entomology (PHE) Course is being offered at five centres of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR);
- (b) if so, the details of such institutes along with the number of students pursuing said course;
- (c) whether the in-service candidates are provided a stipend for the same and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of students who have received the aforementioned stipend and whether it is a fact that some of the candidates are not receiving their stipends and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to increase the stipend to attract more candidates and promote the aspiring candidates; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. S.P. SINGH BAGHEL)

(a) to (f): From the year 2022, a two years M.Sc. Public Health Entomology course is conducted at the five ICMR institutes, namely, ICMR-Vector Control Research Centre (ICMR-VCRC), Puducherry, ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre (ICMR-RMRCGKP), Gorakhpur, ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre (ICMR-RMRCNE), Dibrugarh, ICMR-National Institute of Tribal Health (ICMR-NIRTH), Jabalpur and ICMR-Rajendra Memorial Research Institute of Medical Sciences (ICMR-RMRIMS), Patna. List of the number of students pursuing said courses is at Annexure. The In-service candidates enrolled in these two batches, since 2022 are not provided with any stipend.

Details of the number of students pursuing M.Sc. Public Health Entomology course at ICMR Institutes in the two courses starting in 2022 and 2023

| S.No. | Name of the ICMR Institute | Open (Category I) | In-service (Category II) |
|-------|--|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | ICMR-Vector Control Research Centre (ICMR-VCRC), Puducherry | 29 | 05 |
| 2 | ICMR- Regional Medical Research Centre (ICMR-RMRCGKP), Gorakhpur | 15 | 02 |
| 3 | ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre (ICMR-RMRCNE), Dibrugarh | 07 | 01 |
| 4 | ICMR-National Institute of Tribal Health (ICMR-NIRTH), Jabalpur | 12 | 03 |
| 5 | ICMR-Rajendra Memorial Research Institute of Medical Sciences (ICMR-RMRIMS), Patna | 19 | 10 |
| | Total | | 21 |
