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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1179 TO BE ANSWERED ON 9th February, 2024

CRITERIA FOR SETTING UP OF NEW MEDICAL COLLEGES

1179. SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL: SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

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

- (a) the criteria for setting up new medical colleges in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to relax the criteria of minimum marks for admission in MBBS and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to restart closed medical colleges;
- (d) whether the Government has announced to set up one medical college for every three districts or three Parliamentary Constituencies in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the number of medical colleges required to be set up as per the formula of one medical college for every three districts, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand?

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

(a) to (e) As per National Medical Commission (NMC), the new medical colleges are set up in the country in accordance with the provisions contained in the "Guidelines for Under Graduate Courses under Establishment of New Medical Courses, Starting of New Medical Courses, Increase of Seats for Existing Courses & Assessment and Rating Regulations, 2023" dated 16.08.2023.

Further, 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 medical colleges have been approved in three phases including 5 Medical Colleges in the State of Jharkhand. The State/UT-wise details of medical colleges approved under the scheme are at Annexure.

In addition to this, under the Central Sector Scheme for setting up of new AIIMS, 22 AIIMS have been approved including a AIIMS in Deoghar district of Jharkhand.

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	
7	West Densel	5	(Domariyaganj), Deoria, Ghazipur, Mirzapur	
8	West Bengal Sikkim	1	Barasat, Uluberia, Arambagh, Jhargram, Tamluk	
0	SIKKIIII	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)	
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	

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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