

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND FEBRUARY, 2024**

MEDICAL COLLEGES IN BIHAR

4. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has received the proposal from the Government of Bihar for opening of medical colleges in various districts like Gopalganj, Siwan, Chappra and Motihari;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken/proposed to take steps to open medical college in backward districts of Bihar particularly in Gopalganj; 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 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 including 8 medical colleges in Bihar at Purnia, Saran (Chhapara), Samastipur, Sitamarhi, Jhanjharpur, Siwan, Buxar and Jamui. Further, no proposal for setting up of Medical College at Gopalganj and Motihari were received from the State of Bihar.

Under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) scheme, support has been provided to Government of Bihar for upgradation of 06 Government Medical Colleges one each in Muzaffarpur, Darbhanga, Gaya, Bhagalpur and two medical colleges in Patna by setting up of Super Specialty blocks and also 02 AIIMS at Patna and Darbhanga have been approved.

Under CSS for 'Strengthening and up-gradation of Govt. Medical Colleges for Increase of PG seats', increase of 314 PG seats have been approved in 7 medical colleges in the State in two phases with total approved cost of Rs. 212.42 crores.
