

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3134
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH DECEMBER, 2019**

NEW MEDICAL COLLEGE IN KALNA

3134. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish new medical college under Kalna-II block in Purva Bardhaman district/ constituency;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare administers a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for 'Establishment of new Medical Colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals'. Under Phase-I of the said Scheme, five (5) districts namely Birbhum (Rampur Hat), Cooch Behar, Diamond Harbor, Purulia and Raiganj, North Dinajpur were approved in West Bengal to establish new medical colleges.

Further, under Phase-II of this Scheme, it was decided to establish 24 more new medical colleges with the objective of ensuring at least one medical college for every 3 Parliamentary Constituencies and at least 1 Government Medical College in each State of the country. Accordingly, Barasat, Uluberia, Arambagh, Jhargram and Tamluk Parliamentary Constituencies were identified by the State Government of West Bengal for establishment of medical colleges on challenge mode.

The Phase-III of the Scheme has been approved by the Cabinet on 28.8.2019 to establish 75 more new medical colleges. The State/UT Governments have been requested to send their proposals under this Scheme along with Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) as per Scheme guidelines for consideration by the Ministry. As on date, no DPR has been received from the State Government of West Bengal under this Phase.