

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2209
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2021**

MBBS AND PG MEDICAL SEATS

2209. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

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

- (a) the number of MBBS seats available in various medical colleges/hospitals between 2014 and 2021, year-wise;
- (b) the number of Post Graduate (PG) Medical Seats available in the medical colleges/hospitals between 2014 and 2021, year-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any measures to match the number of MBBS and PG Medical Seats;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, reasons therefor?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE**

(DR BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) & (b) As informed by the NMC, 132 medical colleges in government sector and 77 medical colleges in private sector have been approved in country by the NMC/MCI since 2014. The numbers of UG seats have increased by 72% from 51,348 before 2014 to 88,120 seats as of date and the numbers of PG seats have increased by 78% from 31,185 seats before 2014 to 55,595 seats including DNB and CPS seats. The year-wise details of MBBS seats available in the Ministry are as under:

Year	Total No. of Medical Colleges	Total No. of MBBS Seats
2013-14	387	51348
2014-15	404	54348
2015-16	422	57138
2016-17	472	65183
2017-18	479	67218
2018-19	499	70012
2019-20	539	80312
2020-21	558	83275
2021-22	596	88120

(c) to (e) The Government has taken following steps to further increase the availability of Postgraduate doctors in the country. The steps to increase the seats include: -

- i. Centrally Sponsored Scheme for strengthening/ upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government Medical Colleges to increase MBBS and PG seats.
- ii. Central Sector Scheme for upgradation of Government Medical Colleges by construction of Super Specialty Blocks. A total of 75 projects have been approved and 53 have been completed.
- iii. Under Central Sector Scheme for setting up of new AIIMS, 22 AIIMS have been approved. Undergraduate courses have started in 18 AIIMS.
- iv. DNB qualification has been recognized for appointment as faculty to take care of shortage of faculty.
- v. DNB diploma courses have been approved in 8 broad specialities.
- vi. The ratio of teachers to students has been rationalized to increase the number of postgraduate medical seats in the country.
- vii. By amending the regulations, it has been made mandatory for all medical colleges to start PG courses within 3 years from the date of their MBBS recognition /continuation of recognition.