

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3414  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2022**

**NORTH BENGAL MEDICAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL**

**3414. DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:**

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned an amount of Rs.145 crore for infrastructure development of super speciality department of North Bengal Medical College and Hospital and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the construction work of the same has been completed and if so, the details thereof and if not, the tentative time likely to be taken for completion of the entire work including electrification, water supply etc.;
- (c) the details of expected month of handing over to hospital authority for initiatives of conducting seminar by the speciality Department;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up any cancer Hospital on Hub and Spoke Model in North Bengal and other parts of country where cancer is prevalent;
- (e) if so, details of locations where such hospitals are likely to be set up; and
- (f) the steps being taken by the Government for the development of health infrastructure in North Bengal?

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

(a) to (c): The Government of India has approved upgradation of North Bengal Medical College and Hospital (NBMCH), Siliguri under Phase-III of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) at an approved outlay of Rs.150 crore (Central Share- Rs.120 crore and State Share- Rs.30 crore). The upgradation involves construction of 255 bedded Super Speciality Block(SSB) with 8 Operation Theatres and procurement of medical equipment. 97% of the construction work and the work for electrification & water supply for SSB at NBMCH have been completed.

(d) to (e): Under the 'Strengthening of Tertiary Care Cancer facilities' Scheme of National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke (NPCDCS), Ministry has approved 39 State Cancer Institutes (SCIs) / Tertiary Care Cancer Centre (TCCCs) for providing tertiary level cancer treatment across the country. In West Bengal, three TCCCs have been approved at Government Medical College, Burdwan; Murshidabad Medical College & Hospital, Berhampore, Murshidabad and Sagore Dutta Memorial Medical College & Hospital, Kolkata. The Hub and Spoke model stands for a network of hospitals on two levels. SCI/TCCCs are envisaged for cancer treatment as Hub and Spoke for providing cancer care, support to district hospitals and medical colleges. SCI serves as the nodal and apex Institution to mentor other Government Institutes including TCCC. Similarly, TCCC mentors cancer related activities including at the district level and below in their respective areas.

(f): Under National Health Mission (NHM), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India provides financial and technical support to States/UTs including support for development of Health Infrastructure, upto District Hospital level, based on the proposals submitted by States/UTs in their Program Implementation Plans (PIPs). As per Rural Health Statistics, 2020-21, there are 10,357 nos. of Sub-Centres, 1,369 nos. of Primary Health Centres (PHCs), 348 nos. of Community Health Centres (CHCs), 60 nos. of Sub Divisional Hospitals and 18 nos. of District Hospitals functional under NHM in West Bengal.

Under Ayushman Bharat (AB), the Government supports State Governments for transformation of Sub Health Centres and Primary Health Centres into 1.5 lakh Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) across the country for provision of Comprehensive Primary Health Care that includes preventive healthcare and health promotion at the community level, with expanded range of services. As on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022, total 7,290 AB-HWCs have been operationalized in West Bengal.

Further, the Ministry has approved following projects in West Bengal for the development of health infrastructure: -

Name of the Scheme	Projects
Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY)	Establishment of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) at Kalyani Super Speciality Block at BS Medical College, Bankura Super Speciality Block at Govt. Medical College, Malda Super Speciality Block at North Bengal Medical College, Siliguri, Darjeeling Super Speciality Block at Kolkata Medical College, Kolkata
Establishment of new medical colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals	Eleven districts have been approved under the scheme i.e. Birbhum (Rampur Hat), Cooch Behar, Purulia, Uttar Dinajpur (Distt. Hosp. Raiganj) and Diamond Harbour (South 24 Paraganas), Barasat, Uluberia, Arambagh, Jhargram Tamluk and Jalpaiguri
Upgradation of existing State Government/ Central Government medical colleges to increase MBBS seats in the country	Upgradation of Calcutta Medical College and Midnapore Medical College to increase 50 MBBS seats in each College.
Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Strengthening and up-gradation of Govt. Medical Colleges for Increase of PG seats	Upgradation of the following Colleges / Hospitals for increase of total 466 PG seats in:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. NRS Medical College and Hospital, Kolkata</li> <li>2. BS Medical College, Bankura</li> <li>3. RG Kar Medical College, Kolkata</li> <li>4. Kolkata National Medical College, Kolkata</li> <li>5. Burdwan Medical College, Burdwan.</li> <li>6. Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education &amp; Research, Kolkata</li> <li>7. School of Tropical Medicine, Kolkata</li> <li>8. North Bengal Medical College &amp; Hospital, Darjeeling.</li> </ol>

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