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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2067 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02nd AUGUST, 2024

DOCTOR-PATIENT RATIO

2067. SHRI KHALILUR RAHAMAN:

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

- (a) the details of the medical infrastructure in the country;
- (b) the details of the prevailing and desired patient-doctor ratio in the country, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the patient doctor ratio?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (c): There are 731 medical colleges in the country with an annual intake of 1,12,112 MBBS seats as of now. Further, there are 72,627 PG seats as of now.

As per information provided by National Medical Commission (NMC), there are 13,86,136 allopathic doctors registered with the State Medical Councils and the National Medical Commission (NMC) as on July, 2024. Assuming 80% availability of registered allopathic doctors and around 5.65 lakh AYUSH doctors, the doctor-population ratio in the country is around 1:836 which is better than the WHO standard of 1:1000. The State/UT - wise details of allopathic doctors registered with the State Medical Councils / NMC is at Annexure.

Some of the measures/steps taken by the Government to augment the medical education facilities and to improve the medical standards in the country include: -

i. Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for establishment of new medical colleges by upgrading district/ referral hospital under which 157 new medical colleges have been approved, out of which 109 are already functional.

- ii. CSS for strengthening/ upgradation of existing State Government/ Central Government medical colleges to increase the number of MBBS (UG) and PG seats, under which support has been provided for increase of 4977 MBBS seats in 83 colleges with an approved cost of Rs. 5972.20 Cr, 4058 PG seats in phase-I in 72 colleges with an approved cost of Rs. 1498.43 cr and 4000 PG seats in phase-II in 65 colleges with an approved cost of Rs. 4478.25 Cr.
- iii. Under "Upgradation of Government medical colleges by construction of Super Specialty Blocks" component of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), a total of 75 projects have been approved, of which 66 projects are complete.
- iv. Under the Central Sector Scheme for setting up of new AIIMS, 22 AIIMS have been approved. Undergraduate courses have started in 19 of these.
- v. DNB qualification has been recognized for appointment as teaching faculty to take care of shortage of faculty.
- vi. Enhancement of age limit for appointment/ extension/ re-employment against posts of teachers/dean/principal/ director in medical colleges upto 70 years.

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2067 for answer on 02.08.2024

<u>State/UT-wise details of Allopathic Doctors Registered with State Medical Councils / National Medical Commission as on July, 2024</u>

SI. No.		Total number of allopathic
	Name of State Medical Council	doctors
1.	Andhra Pradesh Medical Council	105805
2.	Arunachal Pradesh Medical Council	1660
3.	Assam Medical Council	25980
4.	Bihar Medical Council	48200
5.	Chhattisgarh Medical Council	10962
6.	Delhi Medical Council	31479
7.	Goa Medical Council	4720
8.	Gujarat Medical Council	79169
9.	Haryana Medical Council	15714
10.	Himachal Pradesh Medical Council	7296
11.	Jammu & Kashmir Medical Council	18720
12.	Jharkhand Medical Council	8544
13.	Karnataka Medical Council	141154
14.	Madhya Pradesh Medical Council	49730
15.	Maharashtra Medical Council	209540
16.	Erstwhile Medical Council of India	52667
17.	Mizoram Medical Council	156
18.	Nagaland Medical Council	166
19.	Orissa Council of Medical Registration	29792
20.	Punjab Medical Council	53446
21.	Rajasthan Medical Council	49049
22.	Sikkim Medical Council	1880
23.	Tamil Nadu Medical Council	149399
24.	Travancore Medical Council	73069
25.	Uttar Pradesh Medical Council	99737
26.	Uttaranchal Medical Council	10249
27.	West Bengal Medical Council	78759
28.	Tripura Medical Council	2683
29.	Telangana Medical Council	26411
	Grand Total	1386136

Source: The National Medical Commission

Note:- Erstwhile MCI had stopped the registration since 2015.