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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3012 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09th AUGUST, 2024

MEDICAL COLLEGES IN JHARKHAND

3012. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM: SHRI MANISH JAISWAL:

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

(a) whether the Government has decided to set up new medical colleges to strengthen the health services during the last three years in the country, particularly in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken specific steps to establish medical colleges in every district of Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total amount of funds allocated for the development of health infrastructure in Jharkhand during the last three years;

(d) whether specific measures have been taken by the Government to address the inadequacy of medical facilities in many districts of Jharkhand; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government to facilitate medical education in these districts?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): 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 05 medical colleges (Dumka, Hazaribagh and Palamu (Daltonganj) in Phase-I and Koderma and Chaibasa (Singhbhum) in Phase-II) in various districts of Jharkhand. Entire central share for 5 medical colleges has already been released to the State Government.

Government is providing technical and financial support to state government through various schemes to improve health Infrastructure and to provide accessible, affordable & quality health care to citizens. Government has initiated various schemes/programmes to supplement the efforts of the State/UT governments and to provide quality healthcare across the country. Details of financial assistance given under National Health Mission during the last three years to the States of Jharkhand are as under:-

(Rs. in Lakh)

| Financial Year | Amount |
|----------------|----------|
| 2021-22 | 2,494.78 |
| 2022-23 | 9,373.36 |
| 2023-24 | 8,850.36 |

Further, some of the measures/steps taken by the Government to augment the medical education facilities and to improve the medical standards in the State of Jharkhand include: -

- i. 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 100 MBBS seats in 1 colleges with an approved cost of Rs. 120 Cr, 102 PG seats in 2 colleges with an approved cost of Rs. 44.01 cr.
- 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, including 2 projects in State of Jhakhand.
- iii. Under PMSSY, one AIIMS at Deoghar have been approved.
