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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3105 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09th AUGUST, 2024

CONSTRUCTION OF MEDICAL COLLEGE BUILDING IN HIMACHAL

3105. SHRI SURESH KUMAR KASHYAP:

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

(a) whether the construction of building of Medical College has been stopped for more than a year resulting in hampering the studies of trainee doctors in the Nahan district of Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which the Government is likely to restart the said work and complete the construction work of said Medical College?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): 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 medical colleges have been approved in three phases, including 03 medical colleges in Himanchal Pradesh at Chamba, Hamirpur and Nahan. All the three medical colleges have become functional.

Government Medical College, Nahan was approved under Phase-I of the Scheme in the year 2015 at a cost of Rs.189 crores to be shared between Centre and State Government in the ratio of 90:10. Entire Central Share of Rs.170.10 crore has been released to Himachal Pradesh. As per guidelines of the Scheme, the planning, execution and commissioning of the medical colleges approved under the scheme are to be done by the State Government.
