

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.869
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2024**

AVAILABILITY OF BEDS IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS

869 SHRI VARUN CHAUDHRY:

Will the Minister of Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beds available in Government hospitals for indoor patients in the country during the last five years;
- (b) the present sanctioned strength and vacancy of doctors, nurses and paramedics;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to increase the healthcare infrastructure as per WHO guidelines; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) Public Health and Hospitals is a state subject. No such data is maintained centrally. As far as Central Government Hospitals of New Delhi i.e. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals are concerned, the number of beds available during the last five years are as under:

S.No.	Name of Hospital	Year	Number of Beds
1	Safdarjung Hospital	2019-2023	2873
		2024	2994

2	Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital	2017-2019	1447
		2020-2023	1532
		2024	1538
3	Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals	Before 2022	877
		2024	1397

(b) The present sanctioned and vacant details of Doctors, Nurses and Paramedical staff in Central Government Hospitals are as under:

Medical Staff	No. of posts of Medical Staff					
	Safdarjung Hospital		Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital		Lady Hardinge Medical college & Associated Hospital	
	Sanctioned	Vacant	Sanctioned	Vacant	Sanctioned	Vacant
Doctors	2116	430	1123	429	333	49
Nurses	2723	153	1592	121	834	202
Paramedical Staff	186	82	1235	473	316	140

(c) & (d) No proposal is pending before the government to increase the healthcare infrastructure as per WHO guidelines. However, in Dr. RML Hospital, a 666 bedded super specialty block is under construction.
