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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4170 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th DECEMBER 2024

MEDICAL COLLEGE IN GURDASPUR

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal for opening a new Medical college in Gurdaspur in the State of Punjab;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be approved; and
- (c) the number of Government and private medical colleges located at present in Gurdaspur and Pathankot in Punjab?

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, 03 medical colleges (SAS Nagar in Phase-I and Kapurthala and Hoshiarpur in Phase-III) have been approved in Punjab. Government Medical College at SAS Nagar is functional. Further, as per information available on National Medical Commission's (NMC) website, there are 13 medical colleges (5 Govt. & 8 Private) in Punjab including 01 private medical college at Pathankot district.
