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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1020 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2016

STATUS OF MEDICAL COLLEGES

1020. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: SHRI P.K. BIJU:

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

- (a) whether a number of new medical colleges in the country, including the Government Medical College, Parippally, Kerala, were not allowed to start functioning or the old medical colleges lost their affiliation for taking new MBBS admission in the current academic year, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government has noticed that the infrastructure development of Parippally Medical College was completed by the Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC);
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government to utilise the infrastructure available by allowing them to start functioning and also for increasing the number of medical seats there during the current academic year 2016-17 itself;
- (d) whether the Government has given any financial support to the medical colleges in the country including the Government Medical College, Palakkad; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a) to (c): Permission for starting a medical college/yearly renewal permission is given by the Central Government on the recommendations made by the Medical Council of India (MCI) after assessment of required standards.

The schemes for establishment of 92 new medical colleges including that of Government Medical College, Parippally were disapproved for the academic year 2016-17 as they did not meet the required standards. Similarly, 51 colleges were not granted renewal permission for the academic year 2016-17 and 05 Medical Colleges were asked not to admit students from the academic year 2016-17 onwards.

- (d) & (e): The Central Government is implementing following schemes:-
- i. Establishment of new Medical Colleges attached with existing District/Referral Hospitals.
- ii. Upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government Medical Colleges to Increase MBBS Seats in the Country.
- iii. Strengthening and Upgradation of State Government Medical Colleges for starting new PG disciplines and increasing PG seats.
- iv. Upgrading existing Super Specialty Services in State Government Medical Colleges.
- v. Upgrading tertiary care for Cancer.

Government Medical College, Palakkad, is not covered under any of the above schemes.