

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 02.03.2010
ANSWERED ON
POST GRADUATE MEDICAL COLLEGES .

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

- (a) the number of medical colleges offering MBBS courses of studies in the country, with State-wise break-up and how many of them are under private management;
- (b) how many of these colleges are providing MD/MS etc. courses of studies;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the post-graduate medical colleges are limited in number in comparison to requirement and also in respect of the number of desiring students; and
- (d) the steps Government proposes to take in order to increase the number of Government colleges for higher medical studies?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 66 FOR 2nd MARCH 2010.

At present, there are 300 medical colleges offering MBBS course in the country, out of which 143 medical colleges are in the government sector and remaining 157 medical colleges are in the private sector. State-wise details in this regard are at Annexure.

Out of 300 medical colleges/institutes, 209 medical colleges are offering Post Graduate (PG) degree/diploma courses. As per information provided by the Medical Council of India(MCI), approximately 23,000 MBBS students pass out every year for which approximately 13,505 PG and PG diploma seats are available. Further National Board of Examination also provides 5,000 seats in various DNB courses. Thus, seats for post graduate and post graduate equivalent are available for more than 75% of students passing out MBBS course throughout the country.

In order to facilitate increase of the number of medical colleges and seats in various medical courses, the Central Government has amended the Regulations rationalizing/relaxing the norms in terms of teaching faculty, land requirements, bed strengths and other infrastructural facilities. Also the Central Government has revised the teacher student ratio from 1:1 to 1:2 to enable the medical colleges to increase seats in postgraduate medical courses. As a result of these revised norms, approximately 4000 additional PG seats are envisaged to be added in the medical colleges/institutes annually.