

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) to (c). The statistical data indicating the percentage of the GDP spent on defence by India and Pakistan is given below :

Year	India	Pakistan
1994-95	2.53	6.88
1995-96	2.39	6.88
1996-97	-	6.99 (Estimated)

(Source : Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi)

2. Various parameters are used to analyse and compare the defence spending by various nations. Analysis based on spending as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is the commonly used one. There is however, an inherent drawback in such comparisons on account of the difference in the criteria used for the classification and categorisation of the expenditure on Defence by different countries. Further, statistical parameters like this are not indicative of the combat expertise or level of defence preparedness of the armed forces in realistic terms.

3. Global and regional developments having a bearing on the country's security, are kept under constant review by the Government. Government are aware of the growing interaction between Pakistan and other nations in the field of defence. The acquisition of military hardware by countries in our neighbourhood, is taken into account while ensuring that the required level of defence preparedness is maintained. Our concern is voiced, whenever necessary, in appropriate manner in appropriate forums.

Threats to AMU

1389. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of the newsreport captioned "Politicians-Criminals nexus threatens to throttle Aligarh Muslim University" appearing in 'Indian Express' dated October 9, 1996;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether AMU is slowly throttled by an enormous network of corruption, where crores of rupees are at stake; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The facts are being ascertained and the details would be laid on the Table of the House as soon as these are available to the Government.

Medical Colleges and Hospitals in Orissa

1390. SHRI MURALIDHAR JENA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Ayurvedic Medical colleges and hospitals functioning in Orissa;

(b) the total financial assistance provided to these colleges and hospitals during 1995-96;

(c) whether the Government of Orissa has requested for setting up new Ayurvedic colleges and hospitals and the extension of the present ones; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) According to available information 6 Ayurvedic Medical Colleges and 8 Ayurvedic Hospitals are functioning in Orissa State as per details given in the enclosed Statement.

(b) Grant-in-aid of Rs. 10.00 lakhs has been given to Sri Nrusinghanath Ayurved College and Research Institute, Distt. Sambalpur, Orissa during the year 1995-96.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The question does not arise.

STATEMENT

List of Ayurvedic Medical Colleges and Hospitals Functioning in Orissa

Ayurvedic Colleges :

1. Gopalbandhu Ayurvedic Mahavidyalaya, Puri-752001.
2. Govt. Ayurvedic College, Bolangir-767001.
3. Sri Nrusinghanath Ayurved College and Research Institute, Nrusinghanath P.O. Paikmal-768039, District Sambalpur, Orissa.
4. Kaviraj Ananta Tripathy Sharma Ayurvedic College, Ankushpur-761100, Ganjam Orissa.
5. Mayurbhanj Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya, Takhatpur, Baripada-757003.
6. Indira Gandhi Memorial Ayurvedic Medical College and Hospital, At Jagamara, P.O. Khandagiri, Bhubaneswar-751030.

Ayurvedic Hospitals :

Government	Local Body	Under Research Councils	Others	Total
5	-	1	2	8