

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4791
ANSWERED ON:27.04.2005
DOCTOR-PATIENT RATIO
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the current Doctor-Patient ratio in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the Doctor-Patient ratio as suggested by the WHO;
- (c) the measures contemplated by the government to achieve this ratio;
- (d) the measures planned to achieve uniform Doctor-Patient ratio throughout the country; and
- (e) the ratio of population MBBS seats, available in the Medical Colleges, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (d): The doctor-patient ratio varies from case to case depending upon various factors like the type of disease, nature of specialization, type of patient care required viz. indoor/outdoor. However, as per the figures obtained from the Medical Council of India, the allopathic doctor-population ratio at present works out to 1:1722.

Apart from this, there are about 6,94,712 registered Medical Practitioners of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy. Taken together, the Doctor-Population ratio comes to more than 128 per lac population (1:781). In addition, there are 233 Medical Colleges with annual intake of 26,192 students as on 25.04.05. According to the Medical Council of India, there are sufficient number of doctors to take care of services all over the country including rural areas.

(e): statement giving state-wise total number of MBBS seats as on 25.4.05 is annexed.

Annexure

NUMBER OF MEDICAL COLLEGES IN THE COUNTRY STATE-WISE AS ON 25.04.2005

s.No.	Name of the State	Number of Medical Colleges	Total	Total
			Number of seats	

Government Private

1.	Andhra Pradesh	10	20	30	3825
2.	Assam	3	-	3	391
3.	Bihar	6	2	8	510
4.	Chandigarh	1	-	1	50
5.	Chhatisgarh	2	-	2	200
6.	Delhi	5	-	5	560
7.	Goa	1	-	1	100
8.	Gujarat	8	5	13	1625

9.	Haryana	1	2	3	350
10.	Himachal Pr.	2	-	2	115
11.	J&K	3	1	4	350
12.	Jharkhand	3	-	3	190
13.	Karnataka	4	27	31	3905
14.	Kerala	6	8	14	1600
15.	Madhya Pr.	5	2	7	820
16.	Maharashtra	19	19	38	4260
17.	Manipur	1	-	1	100
18.	Orissa	3	-	3	364
19.	Pondicharry	1	4	5	475
20.	Punjab	3	3	6	520
21.	Rajasthan	6	2	8	800
22.	Sikkim	1	-	1	50
23.	Tamil Nadu	13	8	21	2415
24.	Uttar Pradesh	9	3	12	1262
25.	Uttaranchal	-	2	2	200
26.	West Bengal	9	-	9	1105

Total	125	108	233	26192
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Government Colleges	-	120
University Colleges	-	5
Private Colleges	-	108

Total:	-	233
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