

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

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UPGRADATION OF NURSING SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total expenditure incurred by the Government on upgradation of two nursing schools to the level of a college of nursing in Safdarjung and RML Hospitals in the year 2008;
- (b) the status of these colleges after their upgradation;
- (c) whether there is less number of intake at Safdarjung College in nursing course this year;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to start M.Sc. nursing course in more colleges; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN)

- (a) The Government has released in the year 2008 funds to the extent of Rs. 10.75 lakhs and Rs. 174.65 lakhs to Safdarjung Hospital and Dr. RML Hospital respectively.
- (b) Both the colleges are functioning since 2008.
- (c) No.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) & (f) The Government has created additional capacity to train more M.Sc. nursing candidates for the high focus states in 3 colleges namely PGI, Chandigarh, SNDT, Pune and SSKM, Kolkata. The Indian Nursing Council has also relaxed the under mentioned norms for opening more M.Sc. nursing programmes.
 - (i) Super specialty Hospital can start M.Sc. (N) without having under graduate programme.
 - (ii) Relaxation of student teacher ratio for M.Sc. (N) programme has been relaxed from 1:5 to 1:10.