

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

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POSTGRADUATES SEATS IN MEDICAL COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of postgraduate seats in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of seats proposed to be increased, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Union Government has also received proposals from the State Governments in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof during the last one year and the current year alongwith the action taken thereon, State/UT-wise;
- (e) whether any committee has been constituted to look into the matter; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SHRI DINESH TRVEDI)

(a) to (f) In order to increase the number of Post Graduate (PG) seats in the country, teacher-student ratio has been revised from 1:1 to 1:2 which has resulted increase of approximately 3000 additional PG seats in various disciplines in Government medical colleges. Also the Central Government has permitted the medical colleges to apply for starting of a PG course in pre and para clinical subjects at the time of admission of 4 batch of MBBS students.

Besides, under the scheme for strengthening and. upgradation of State Government Medical Colleges for starting new VG disciplines and increasing PG seats by central funding during 11th Five Year Plan Period, approximately 4000 more PG seats are envisaged to be increased. An Empowered Committee under the Chairmanship of Union Health Secretary has been constituted to decide the quantum of funding. The number of proposal received and the medical colleges approved for financial assistance during the last one year and the current year, state-wise, is at Annexure.