

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

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FUNCTIONING OF PRIVATE MEDICAL AND DENTAL COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of private medical and dental colleges functioning in the country at present, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is lack of laboratory facilities in some of these medical colleges;
- (c) if so, whether the Government has received any complaints in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure adequate and proper lab facilities in these colleges?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

- (a) At present there are 158 private medical and 252 dental colleges in the country. State-wise list is at Annexure.
- (b) to (e): Inspection of medical colleges by Medical Council of India (MCI) is a continuous process to maintain the standard of medical education in the country. The medical colleges having the adequate facilities in terms of teaching faculty, clinical material and infrastructure are recommended by MCI for grant of permission to establish a new medical college or to start new course of study or to increase intake capacity or for grant of annual renewal of permission and also for recognition of medical courses under Section 11(2) of the Indian Medical Council Act. The medical colleges which are found not meeting the requirement as per the regulations are given an opportunity to rectify the deficiencies. Thereafter the colleges are re-inspected by MCI for verification of compliance report.