

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

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ASSISTANCE FOR PARA MEDICAL COURSES

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal from Kerala for grant of assistance for starting/ upgrading paramedical courses in certain medical colleges under the manpower development scheme and also setting up of a regional institute in the said stream;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken thereon;
- (c) the number of medical colleges assisted by the Government in the States during each of the last three years and the current year so far;
- (d) whether the Government has stopped release of funds to Kerala under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM); and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)& (b) Government of Kerala has forwarded proposal for supporting five medical colleges for starting/ increasing intake of students in various paramedical streams under "Manpower Development Component" of the scheme 'Setting up of National Institute of Paramedical Sciences (NIPS) and Regional institutes of Paramedical Sciences (RIPS) and supporting State Government Medical Colleges for conducting paramedical courses through one time grant'. The proposal has been forwarded to Technical committee constituted by DGHS for examination. The Government has decided to establish one NIPS and eight RIPS at identified locations in the country. Kerala is not among one of these locations.

(c) Only Government Medical College, Thrissur in the State of Kerala has been given funds during 2010-11 under the scheme for strengthening and upgradation of State Government Medical Colleges for increasing Post Graduate Seats.

(d) No.

(e) Doesn't arise.