

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

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

- (a) the total number of under graduate and post graduate seats in the medical colleges across the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the number of post graduate seats in proportion to under graduate seats in the medical colleges; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) At present there are approximately 41569 MBBS seats and 20868 Post Graduate seats in the country. The State-wise details of undergraduate and postgraduate seats are at Annexure.

(b) & (c) In order to increase the number of Postgraduate seats in proportion to undergraduate seats in medical colleges, Central Government has taken various initiatives including change in teacher-student ratio from 1:1 to 1:2. These initiatives has resulted in increase of approximately 6000 additional PG seats in various disciplines in medical colleges during the last two academic years 2010-11 and 2011-12.

Besides, under the scheme for strengthening and up-gradation of State Government Medical Colleges for starting new PG disciplines and increasing PG seats by central funding, approximately 4000 more PG seats are envisaged to be increased.