

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1446
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VETERINARY DOCTORS
J Helen Davidson

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is shortage of veterinary doctors in the country including in Metropolitan cities;
- (b) if so, the details of the vacancy position in cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai;
- (c) the time by which these vacancies are likely to be filled up;
- (d) whether the presently employed veterinary doctors numbers are sufficient enough to meet the demand of their services;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (Dr. CHARAN DAS MAHANT)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) As per information received from the states, the vacancy position of the four metropolitan cities is as under:

Delhi Mumbai Kolkata Chennai

25 There is no Government Veterinary Dispensaries in Mumbai Metropolitan city.	23 The requirement of veterinary doctors for present livestock/pet animals in Chennai is adequate.
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(c) As per information received from the states of West Bengal and Delhi, the States are in the process of filling up of the vacant posts.

(d) No, Madam.

(e) This is due to non creation of enough educational infrastructures for veterinary training, shortage of veterinary hospitals & dispensaries and non filling up of posts.

(f) Recruitment of veterinary doctors in the states is made by the concerned state Governments as it is a state subject.