

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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NSS ACTIVITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the expansion of National Service Scheme(NSS) activities in the colleges are very much needed for the character built up of the students;
- (b) if so, the steps the Government wish to take in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to bring the professional colleges such as medical and engineering with the preview of NSS; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In an effort to expand the activities of National Service Scheme (NSS) Volunteers and also to improve their overall personality, Government has from the year 2009 onwards, introduced ten day adventure camps (100 numbers) and twelve days Mega Camps (2 numbers) annually.

(c) Government is already conducting NSS programmes in 1983 professional colleges. The professional colleges such as Medical and Engineering are already covered under the NSS.

(d) The details of professional colleges, where NSS activities are being conducted, are as under:

Sl.No. Type of Institution Number

1 Engineering colleges 553

2 Medical colleges 298

3 Pharmacy colleges 120

4 Nursing colleges 120

5 Management colleges 347

6 Polytechnic colleges 545

Total 1983