

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

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SHORTAGE OF DOCTORS IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS .

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

- (a) the shortage of doctors particularly specialist doctors/scientists and paramedical staffs in the Central Government controlled medical colleges/hospitals and its associated hospitals during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the reasons for the shortage and its impact on the quality of the medical treatment being provided to the patients hospital-wise;
- (c) the details of doctors/scientists leaving the above said hospitals during each of the last three years and current year along with the reasons therefor, hospital-wise;
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to fill up the vacant posts at the earliest and to ensure timely treatment and better facilities to the patients; and
- (e) the further steps taken to set up a monitoring mechanism for ensuring proper functioning of Government hospitals in the country?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): 'Health' is a State subject and hence no such information is maintained centrally.

As far as three Central Government Hospitals namely Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals in Delhi are concerned, there is no acute shortage of doctors. The post of specialist doctors are filled up from Central Health Services (CHS) Cadre. The details of vacant posts of doctors in CHS Cadre during the last three years and the current year i.e. 2010, 2011, 2012 and upto 1st March, 2013 are as under:-

YEAR	No. of Vacant Posts
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2010	253
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2011	266
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2012	318
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Upto 1.3.2013	361
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The posts could not be filled due to pending issue of the equivalence of DNB (Broad speciality) with MD/MS and DNB (Super speciality) with DM/M.Ch. Since this issue has now been resolved, the recruitment process has been started.

The details of vacant post of para-medical staff of these three Central Government hospitals is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c):The details of specialist doctors who have left the CHS Cadre are annexed.

(d) & (e):The concerned institutes/hospitals are permitted to make contractual appointments against the vacant posts as a stop-gap arrangement in public interest so that the patient care does not suffer.