

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MEDICAL COLLEGES BY RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of ongoing consultancy work for setting up of medical colleges identified in Phase-I at Chennai, Secunderabad, Guwahati, Lucknow and Kharagpur;
- (b) the time by which the said work is likely to be completed; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Railways to expedite the process in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

- (a) At present, the consultant is conducting the feasibility study of these 05 locations identified in Phase-I.
- (b) The setting up of Medical Colleges was announced as a Public Private Partnership (PPP) with Railway providing requisite land. Since this is a case of PPP the process includes finding right private partner fulfilling all the criteria and the project getting clearance from various agencies like Medical Council of India (MCI) etc. and hence no definite time can be given at this juncture.
- (c) M/s RITES have submitted its preliminary report of feasibility study of Chennai which is being scrutinized. They are being asked to expedite the feasibility study of other 04 locations.