GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the number of Government and private medical colleges along with the number of graduate and post-graduate medical seats in the country State/ UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has undertaken any study to assess the shortage of medical colleges and the quality of medical education being imparted therein in various States/UTs across the country, if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the steps taken/proposed by the Government to scale up the availability of medical colleges and quality of medical education therein across the country;
- (d) whether the Government has received any proposals relating to setting up of medical colleges from various States/ UTs, if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government thereon during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UTwise; and
- (e) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government against the medical colleges having deficient infrastructure and facilities?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

- (a): Statement-I containing State/UT-wise number of medical colleges in the country is annexed.
- (b) to (d): Review of medical education system of the country, especially with regard to maintaining quality of education and fulfilling the health requirements of the country is a continuous and ongoing process done by the Government in consultation with the Medical Council of India and other stakeholders.

The Government has taken the following steps to scale up the availability of medical colleges:

- i. Relaxation in the norms for setting up of a medical college in terms of requirement for land, faculty, staff, bed/bed strength and other infrastructure.
- ii. Starting of a new Centrally Sponsored scheme of "Establishment of New Medical Colleges attached with District/ Referral hospitals" with fund sharing between the Central Government and States in the ratio of 90:10 for NE/special category states and 75:25 for other states.

Statement-II containing the State / UT-wise information about proposals for setting up of medical colleges received during the last three years and the current year is annexed.

(e): The MCI conducts inspections to ensure compliance of norms by the medical colleges.