

Reduction in MBBS seats

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SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Medical Council of India (MCI) has decided to reduce the number of MBBS seats in the medical colleges in the country from the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the reasons for MCI taking such decision, at a time when the country is struggling with shortage of medical manpower; and

(d) the details of corrective steps taken or proposed to be taken for increasing the number of MBBS seats in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN): (a) to (d) After assessment of the medical colleges by the assessor appointed by MCI, the assessment reports have been considered by the Executive Committee of the Council. On perusal of the assessment report when the Executive Committee found that wherever the assessment report is in order as per MSR/provisions /regulations of the Council, the committee recommends for approval to the Central Government. However, wherever the Executive Committee noted that as per assessment report there are deficiencies in the medical college and does not meet the requirement prescribed by the MCI as per minimum standard requirements regulation, the Council recommends to the Central Government for disapproval of permission to such medical colleges.

MCI had recommended for disapproval of 118 medical colleges for renewal of permission for admission in 8567 MBBS seats for the academic session 2014-15. The Ministry has forwarded the compliance reports submitted by the concerned medical colleges to MCI for review and the same were placed before the Executive Committee of the Council at the meeting held on 08.07.2014 and 12.07.2014. Subsequently, MCI has recommended for renewal of permission for 73 cases with 4747 MBBS seats. The MCI has recommended for disapproval of renewal of permission for 45 medical colleges with 3820 MBBS seats for the year 2014-15. The State-wise details of medical colleges with MBBS seats for disapproval of renewal of permission are given in Statement (*See below*). However, MCI has recommended for establishment of 16 new medical colleges with intake capacity of 2050 MBBS seats and also recommended for increase of 600 MBBS seats in 10 existing medical colleges for the academic year 2014-15.

Statement

Details of State-wise disapproval for renewal of permission to Medical Colleges for admission in MBBS seats during the year 2014-15

Sl. No.	State	Total No. of Medical Colleges	Total Disapproved Seats
1.	Andhra Pradesh	6	550
2.	Bihar	1	100
3.	Jharkhand	1	110
4.	Haryana	2	100
5.	Karnataka	8	450
6.	Kerala	4	400
7.	Madhya Pradesh	3	110
8.	Maharashtra	4	285
9.	Odisha	1	100
10.	Punjab	1	150
11.	Rajasthan	2	100
12.	Sikkim	1	50
13.	Tamil Nadu	5	750
14.	Uttar Pradesh	6	565
TOTAL		45	3820

**Non-functioning radiotherapy machines at
Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi**

†706. SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that three rotational cobalt machines in the radiotherapy unit meant for treatment of cancer patients in Safdarjung Hospital in Delhi had gone out of order simultaneously in May-June due to which the patients who had come for treatment from far flung areas facing a lot of inconvenience;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether any case of negligence in maintenance and repair of out of order machines has come to the notice of Government;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.