Written Answers to

## 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	Total Disapproved
	1.	Andhra Pradesh	6
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;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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Unstarred Questions

- (c) if so, the action taken in this regard; and
- (d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN): (a) Out of three telecobalt machines available in Department of Radiotherapy of Safdarjung Hospital, one machine was operative as per direction of Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB), Government of India. The hospital was directed by AERB to stop the operation of two others telecobalt machines, due to lack of adequate medical physicists in Radiotherapy Department, as per AERB regulations.

(b) The operational Telecobalt machine (Theratron 80 Elite, Serial no. 858) is under AMC with M/s KTL. The machine breakdown was reported on 23.05.2014 and was made temporarily functional. However, it again broke down on 27.06.2014 and has not been inspected by M/s KTL despite several telephonic complaints. An urgent reminder has been sent to M/s KTL to inspect the machine and submit report for repair on immediate priority.

(c) and (d) Safdarjung Hospital had requested AERB to permit the operation of second Telecobalt machine in the interest of patients care, following the breakdown of Theratron 80 Elite, Serial no. 858. However, the hospital was directed by AERB to stop using the second unit (Serial No. 846) for patient treatment at Safdarjung Hospital, due to non-availability of adequate number of medical physicists.

Walk in interview for the vacant post of medical physicists on contract basis had been conducted twice in the past, but no candidate attended the interview. Recent interview was conducted on 17.05.2014 and four candidates have been selected.

## Upgradation of Goa Medical College and Hospital

707. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has granted any financial assistance to modernize/ upgrade health and medical facilities in Goa Medical College and its hospital;

- (b) if so, the total financial assistance given, so far year-wise;
- (c) the types of facilities this assistance has been given;
- (d) the details of the schemes under which the assistance has been given;
- (e) the facilities provided in the hospital at present;
- (f) whether any proposal for financial assistance is pending; and
- (g) if so, the nature of the proposal and the details thereof?