

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) and (b) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of “Strengthening/ Upgradation of Nursing Services (ANM/GNM)”, Government of India has approved 127 ANM and 137 GNM Schools in the country. Cost ceiling for ANM and GNM Schools are ₹ 5 crores and ₹ 10 crores respectively.

(c) and (d) The Government and Indian Nursing Council (INC) which is the statutory body for regulating Nursing Education have taken steps to increase the qualified faculty so as to improve the quality of nursing education and skill sets which include:

- (i) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of “Development of Nursing Services”, Government of India is providing training programmes to Nurses in clinical specialty, education technology, and nursing administration.
- (ii) Student patient ratio has been relaxed from 1:5 to 1:3
- (iii) Relaxed norms for teaching faculty to start B.Sc. (N) Programme.
 - At least 2 M.Sc. (N) faculty to be available.
 - Qualification and Experience of the Nursing Teachers has been relaxed.
 - Sharing of teaching faculty for both Diploma and Graduate Programme.
- (iv) Age increased for Teaching Faculty up to 70 years.
- (v) Distance from nursing school to hospital has been relaxed from 15 km to 30 km. However, for hilly and tribal areas the maximum distance is 50 Km.

Study on health hazard posed by telecom towers

3438. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any study has been carried out by Government to ascertain the health hazard posed by the numerous diesel-run telecom towers on humans and animals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether any deaths of animals or humans have been reported due to telecom towers; and

- (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Environment and Forest Climate Change as well as the Indian Council of Medical Research has informed that no exclusive study to ascertain health hazard posed by diesel-run telecom towers has been carried out.

(d) and (e) There is no report available with Indian Council Medical Research and Ministry of Environment and Forest reporting death of animals or humans due to telecom towers.

Yog Chikitsa Kendra at CGHS WCs

3439. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether CGHS is having Yog Chikitsa Kendras at CGHS Wellness Centres (WCs) as a preventive measure for its beneficiaries;

(b) if so, at how many permanent centres in India including Delhi this facility is being provided;

(c) the sanctioned strength of Yoga instructors on regular basis in CGHS and when last revision of sanctioned post took place;

(d) how many of them have been recruited in the last three years and how many of them have retired during the period; and

(e) whether there is any plan with Government to strengthen the Science of Yoga, if so, the actions which have been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) and (b) Some of the Wellness Centres in CGHS Delhi are having Yog Chikitsa Kendras.

In CGHS Delhi there are 4 wellness centres where the Yog Chikitsa Kendras are located.

Besides, in 12 CGHS Wellness Centres, Yoga Units are running under the aegis of Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga which is a charitable organization.

CGHS has provided space to run the Yog Kendras for the preventive health care through Yoga.