

**Inclusion of medical colleges in Tamil Nadu under CSS**

312. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that not even a single Medical College in Tamil Nadu is being funded under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for Strengthening and Upgradation of State Government Medical Colleges, with funding pattern of 75 per cent by Central Government and 25 per cent by State Governments for starting new Post Graduate (PG) disciplines and increasing PG seats;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government will come forward to include Government Medical Colleges from the State of Tamil Nadu in the near future, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) to (c) No. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for Strengthening and up-gradation of State Government Medical Colleges for starting new PG disciplines and increasing PG seats was launched in XI Five Year Plan Period (2007-2012). While evaluating and selecting the medical colleges for starting new PG disciplines and increasing PG seats, preference was given to unserved and underserved States. No further Medical Colleges are being considered under this Scheme at present.

**Decline in viewership/TRP of Doordarshan  
and Akashvani channels**

313. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Television Rating Points (TRPs) and subscribers/viewership of Doordarshan and Akashvani channels have decreased/come down over the past several years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the number of advertisements telecast/transmitted on Doordarshan and Akashvani have also come down during the said period, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the remedial measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Government/Prasar Bharti in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (COL. RAJYAVARDHAN SINGH RATHORE): (a) and (b) Television Rating Points (TRP) and Viewership details of DD National as per