take up the proposal for establishment of Aerospace and Defense manufacturing park in Dholera with associations like Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) etc.

Faculty shortage at AIIMS-Patna

†*282. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is committed towards strengthening of AIIMS at Patna, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Departments of AIIMS, Patna is facing a huge shortage of doctors;
- (c) whether the patients at AIIMS, Patna are not diagnosed well in time owing to lack of diagnostic machines and the patients are referred to AIIMS at Delhi; and
- (d) whether Government has made arrangements to fill up the vacant posts and overcome the shortage of machines, if so, by when, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) and (b) Yes. Government is committed to strengthening of AIIMS at Patna. The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Patna, is operational with functional Out-Patient Department (OPD) and In-Patient Department (IPD).

Five batches of MBBS students and four batches of B.Sc. (Nursing) students are receiving education.

A total number of 305 posts of various Faculty disciplines have been created for AIIMS, Patna. Recruitment to various positions is done on need basis keeping in view the additional services and facilities planned to be added in the hospitals. However, as high standards have to be maintained in selection, keeping in view the stature of these Institutes of National Importance, all the advertised positions could not be filled up. There is a shortage of Doctors as all the faculty positions could not be filled up. Details of vacant posts of Faculty, Senior Resident, Junior Resident against sanctioned posts are given in the Statement (See below). With a view to strengthening the Institute, all the 253 vacant faculty posts have been advertised by the Institute. To facilitate expeditious filling up of vacancies, separate Standing Selection Committee (SSCs) have been constituted for each of the aforesaid six AIIMS.

[†] Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Contractual appointment of Faculty is also permitted as a stop gap arrangement.

- (c) Patients are diagnosed well in time with the help of sophisticated diagnostic machines. Diagnostic machines such as Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Digital Subtraction Angiography (DSA) and CT Scan machines are also functioning. Other diagnostic machines of investigation have been installed and pathology lab is functional with all facilities of diagnosis. However, Cardiac Angiography facility is not available and cardiac patients are referred to AIIMS, Delhi or SGPGI, Lucknow. Thus, except for Cardiac Angiography, all other diagnostic facilities are functional.
- (d) Advertisement for all the 253 vacant faculty posts in various departments has been issued. Senior Resident vacancies are also filled up on need basis by 'Walk-in Interview' process.

Statement

Details of various vacant faculty posts against sanctioned posts in AIIMS, Patna

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AIIMS	Sanctioned	Posts filled at	Posts vacant	Posts
		present	at present	advertised
Patna	305	52	253	253
Position	of vacant po	sts of Senior Res	idents at AIIM	S, Patna
AIIMS	0	Senior Residents		
	Sanctio	oned Pos	ts Filled	
Patna	327	1	111	216
Position	of vacant po	sts of Junior Res	idents at AIIM	S, Patna
AIIMS	Junior Residents			Posts Vacant
	Sanctio	oned Pos	ts Filled	
Patna	301		87	214

Removal of corruption through demonetisation and digital transactions

*283. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether demonetisation and digital transactions would remove corruption from India, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the names of the countries where digital transactions are highest along with the corruption level in these countries; and