

**Medical college for every three districts**

1213. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is going for a policy decision to set up a medical college for every three districts;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number and names of districts especially in Karnataka where new medical colleges have been set up under the said policy by May, 2019; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) to (c) No. However, the Ministry administers a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Establishment of new medical colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals. Under Phase-II of this Scheme, 24 new medical colleges in 8 States have been identified with an objective to ensure the availability of one medical college in every 3 Parliamentary Constituencies and one Government medical college in each State. During the analysis no such block (consisting of 3 Parliamentary Constituencies) has been identified in Karnataka State.

**Fatalities from diseases**

†1214. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that fatal diseases like Nipah Virus, Swine Flu, Chikungunya and Tuberculosis are spreading in many areas of the country;

(b) if so, the number of people who got infected and died due to these diseases in last three years, State-wise details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has chalked out any detailed action plan for elimination of Nipah Virus, Swine Flu, Chikungunya and Tuberculosis, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) and (b) Nipah Virus disease have focal and local presentation previously reported in the years 2001 and 2007 from West

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