

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) to (c) Government has approved starting of Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) course with intake of 100 seats at the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER) and Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia (RML) Hospital, New Delhi from the Academic Session, 2019-20.

As per section 10(A) of Medical Council of India (MCI) Act, Central Government Institutions are exempt for seeking permission from MCI for starting and increase of Under Graduate (UG)/Post Graduate (PG)/Super Specialty (SS) seats. Directorate General of Health Services (Dte.GHS) being the technical office of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), conducts physical inspection of the facilities as per MCI norms by sending a team of experts and only after the recommendations of the Inspectors/Assessors who are distinguished Medical Faculties, Dte.GHS recommends for issuing of Letter of Permission (LoP) by the Ministry.

To start the MBBS course, the existing infrastructure of the hospital will be utilized.

#### **Annual per capita expenditure on public health**

1169. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH DULLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the target of annual per capita expenditure on public health for current year;
- (b) how much expenditure was incurred on public health in the last three years;
- (c) the impact on overall improvement in public health; and
- (d) whether there has been progress in absorption capacity of Government assistance by States/most backward districts having low public health indicators?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) The Government has not set any target for annual per capita expenditure on public health for the current year.

- (b) As per Economic Survey 2017-18 (Volume II), Government Expenditure (Central and State Governments combined) on health for the last three years is as follows:—

Year	Government Expenditure on Health (₹ In lakh crores)
2015-16	1.52
2016-17 (RE)	2.26
2017-18 (BE)	2.25

(c) Public investment in health has accelerated decline in Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR). Infant Mortality Rate (IMR). disease burden of TB, HIV and Malaria.

(d) The details of Expenditure of funds under National Health Mission, by the Empowered Action Group (EAG) States which have low health indicators, is given in Statement (*See* below). District level Financial Information under NHM is not centrally available.

#### Statement

*Details of Expenditure\* in EAG States under NHM during last three years*

(₹ in crore)

Sl.No.	States	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19**
1.	Bihar	1619.20	1820.14	1788.82
2.	Chhattisgarh	999.33	1180.27	1087.94
3.	Jharkhand	633.54	753.03	1016.80
4.	Madhya Pradesh	2066.38	2313.93	2531.87
5.	Odisha	1299.27	1514.45	1579.77
6.	Rajasthan	1734.34	1885.55	2309.53
7.	Uttar Pradesh	5120.68	6569.01	6358.50
8.	Uttarakhand	350.67	44822	401.00
TOTAL		13823.41	16484.60	17074.23

\* Expenditure includes expenditure against Central releases, State releases and unspent balances at the beginning of the year.

\*\* Expenditure for the FY 2018-19 (upto 31.3.2019) is provisional.

#### Naturopathy dispensaries

1170. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of naturopathy dispensaries functioning in Delhi and other cities;

(b) the number of beneficiaries who have obtained medical advice and medicines from such naturopathy experts; and