

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1701
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH MARCH, 2021**

ALLOPATHIC DOCTORS IN THE COUNTRY

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Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of allopathic doctors registered under the competent authority of the country during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise
- (b) whether Government has taken any steps to ensure the doctor-patient ratio as per the stipulated norms of Government and
- (c) if so, the details of adequate number of doctors available in the country?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) to (c): As per information provided by the National Medical Commission (NMC), 12.89 lakh allopathic doctors are registered in the country as on 31st December, 2020. Assuming 80% availability, it is estimated that around 10.31 lakh doctors may be actually available for active service. The details of number of doctors registered with the concerned State Medical Council State/UT-wise during the last three years is at Annexure.

Besides, there are 5.65 lakh AYUSH doctors available in the country. Considering the above, the doctor – population ratio in the country is 1:845.

The Government has taken various steps to further increase the availability of doctors in the country which include:-

- i) Establishment of New Medical Colleges attached with district/referral hospitals in underserved districts of the country under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
- ii) Centrally Sponsored Scheme for strengthening/ upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government Medical Colleges to increase MBBS and PG seats.
- iii) Relaxation in the norms for setting up of Medical College in terms of requirement for faculty, staff, bed strength and other infrastructure.
- iv) Enhancement of maximum intake capacity at MBBS level from 150 to 250.

- v) DNB qualification has been recognized for appointment as faculty to take care of shortage of faculty.
- vi) Enhancement of age limit for appointment/ extension/ re-employment against posts of teachers/dean/principal/ director in medical colleges upto 70 years.
- vii) Provision has been made in the Regulations to offer less number of seats to the applicant medical college, in case, it falls short of minimum prescribed requirements of applied intake to avoid wastage of human resources.
- viii) A Consortium (a group of 2 or upto 4 private organizations) has been allowed to establish a medical college.

NUMBER OF DOCTORS POSSESSING RECOGNISVD MEDICAL QUALIFICATIONS AND REGISTERED WITH STATE MEDICAL COUNCILS / THE ERSTWHILE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF INDIA YEAR WISE as on 31.12.2020.

Name of State Medical Council	2018	2019	2020	Total Doctors on register as on 31.12.2020
Andhra Pradesh Medical Council	3757	3246	1961	105795
Arunachal Pradesh Medical Council	193	97	77	1246
Assam Medical Council	752	181	877	24960
Bihar Medical Council	1332	1153	1691	47486
Chattisgarh Medical Council	774	784	465	10020
Delhi Medical Council	2801	3606	1686	26686
Goa Medical Council	193	50	145	4035
Gujarat Medical Council	3608	2803	1601	71348
Haryana Dental & Medical Councils	1458	1678	1162	15679
Himachal Pradesh Medical Council	219	1	536	3942
Jammu & Kashmir	805	338	539	16648
Jharkhand Medical Council	402	529	893	6926
Karnataka Medical Council	5301	6306	5336	131903
Madhya Pradesh Medical Council	1552	1989	2431	42596
Maharashtra Medical Council	6320	7499	4697	188540
Medical Council of India	@@	@		52666
Mizoram Medical Council	16	23	21	118
Nagaland Medical Council	25	18	7	141
Orissa Council of Medical Registration	910	1380	1234	26924
Punjab Medical Council	1544	1458	1027	51685
Rajasthan Medical Council	2524	2865	1977	48229
Sikkim Medical Council	128	9	87	1501
Tamil Nadu Medical Council	7167	8763	3479	148216
Travancore Medical Council, Cochin	2813	3796	4948	70619
Uttar Pradesh Medical Council	3669	3799	4726	89286
Uttaranchal Medical Council	928	659	893	10241
West Bengal Medical Council	2544	2771	1747	77664
Tripura Medical Council	241	254	241	2681
Telengana Medical Council	298	1	3624	11556
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Grand Total	54965	56056	47608	1289337

@ the erstwhile MCI had stopped the registration since 2015