

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3774
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th April, 2022**

MEDICAL STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD

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

- (a) whether apart from Ukraine, which are the other countries that host Indian medical students and whether Government has a list of students studying medicine abroad;
- (b) whether action is being taken on Hon'ble PM's recent pronouncement of incentivising the private sector for setting up of medical institutions in the country;
- (c) whether it is a fact that at 596, India has the largest number of undergraduate medical colleges and yet the smallest number of medical seats, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether Hon'ble PM has hinted that liberalisation of medical education as against the current commercialisation may be the solution and whether Government has prepared a road map?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
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(a) to (d): As informed by Ministry of External Affairs, Indian students are pursuing Medical courses in various countries. However, specific data of students enrolled in Medical courses is not available.

The Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) has allowed Viability Gap Funding to Medical Colleges for setting up in PPP mode by utilizing the existing District Hospitals subject to the condition that: -

- i. States fully allow the facilities of the hospital to the medical college;
- ii. States provide land to the medical college at a concession.

The Government has taken various steps to increase the opportunities for medical studies, within the country. The number of UG seats have increased from 51,348 before 2014 to 89875 seats as

of date which is an increase of 75%. State-wise details of MBBS seats available in the country are at Annexure. The steps to increase the seats include:-

- i. Centrally Sponsored Scheme for establishment of new medical college by upgrading district/ referral hospital under which 157 new medical colleges have been approved and 71 are already functional.
- ii. Centrally Sponsored Scheme for strengthening/ upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government Medical Colleges to increase MBBS and PG seats.
- iii. Central Sector Scheme for upgradation of Government Medical Colleges by construction of Super Specialty Blocks. A total of 75 projects have been approved and 55 have been completed.
- iv. Under Central Sector Scheme for setting up of new AIIMS, 22 AIIMS have been approved. Undergraduate courses have started in 19 AIIMS.
- v. Relaxation in the norms for setting up of Medical College in terms of requirement for faculty, staff, bed strength and other infrastructure.
- vi. DNB qualification has been recognized for appointment as faculty to take care of shortage of faculty.
- vii. Enhancement of age limit for appointment/ extension/ re-employment against posts of teachers/dean/principal/ director in medical colleges upto 70 years.

Annexure**The State/UT-wise list of MBBS colleges under Government & Pvt. (including AIIMS & JIPMER) in the Country.**

S.No.	Name of the State/UT	Govt. College	Govt. Seats	Pvt. College	Pvt. Seats	Grand Total Colleges	Grand Total Seats
1	A& N Island	1	100	0	0	1	100
2	Andhra Pradesh	13	2410	18	2800	31	5210
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1	50	0	0	1	50
4	Assam	8	1100	0	0	8	1100
5	Bihar	12	1490	8	1050	20	2540
6	Chandigarh	1	150	0	0	1	150
7	Chhattisgarh	8	965	4	600	12	1565
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	150	0	0	1	150
9	Delhi	8	1222	2	200	10	1422
10	Goa	1	180	0	0	1	180
11	Gujarat	17	3650	13	2000	30	5650
12	Haryana	5	710	7	950	12	1660
13	Himachal Pradesh	6	720	1	150	7	870
14	Jammu & Kashmir	8	985	1	100	9	1085
15	Jharkhand	7	630	2	250	9	880
16	Karnataka	19	2900	41	6795	60	9695
17	Kerala	10	1555	21	2650	31	4205
18	Madhya Pradesh	14	2135	9	1600	23	3735
19	Maharashtra	28	4630	31	4820	59	9450
20	Manipur	2	225	1	150	3	375
21	Meghalaya	1	50	0	0	1	50
22	Mizoram	1	100	0	0	1	100
23	Orissa	9	1350	4	750	13	2100
24	Puducherry	2	380	7	1150	9	1530
25	Punjab	5	750	6	800	11	1550
26	Rajasthan	17	3030	9	1650	26	4680
27	Sikkim	0	0	1	150	1	150
28	Tamil Nadu	37	5175	32	5250	69	10425
29	Telangana	11	1790	23	3550	34	5340
30	Tripura	1	125	1	100	2	225
31	Uttar Pradesh	35	4178	32	4500	67	8678
32	Uttarakhand	4	525	2	300	6	825
33	West Bengal	20	3150	7	1000	27	4150
