

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5584
ANSWERED ON:02.05.2000
SEATS FOR PROFESSIONAL COURSES
DAHYA BHAI V. PATEL

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

- (a) whether the Government have received a proposal from Union Territory of Daman and Diu for increase in the quota of seats in the professional courses such as MBBS, BDS, B. Tech, B.A.M.S. etc.;
- (b) if so, the action taken in the matter; and
- (c) the time by which the quota of seats for Daman and Diu is likely to be increased?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

- (a) Government have received a proposal for increase in the quota of MBBS seats only from the Union Territory of Daman & Diu.
- (b)&(c):MBBS and BDS seats to Union Territory of Daman & Diu are released from the Central Pool, constituted by seeking voluntary contribution from States and certain other institutions. Due to limited availability of seats in the Central Pool as against a high demand for allocation of more seats from all the beneficiary States and agencies it has not been possible to increase the allocation of MBBS and BDS seats to Union Territory of Daman & Diu. Any enhancement in the quota of MBBS and BDS seats to Daman & Diu for the 2000-2001 session would depend upon the increase in the contribution to the Central Pool.