

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:242  
ANSWERED ON:06.08.2003  
UNRECOGNISED MEDICAL COLLEGES  
ABDUL RASHID SHAHEEN;RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY

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

- (a) whether several medical colleges unrecognised by the Government are being run in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the action taken/being taken by the Government against such unrecognised colleges?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a)to(c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 242 FOR 6.8.2003

At present 211 medical colleges are functioning in the country. All these medical colleges are recognised/permited by the Central Government for running MBBS course. Medical Council of India has no information on unrecognised medical colleges running in the country. The Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, was amended in 1993 to check the mushroom growth of medical colleges in the country wherein seeking prior approval of Central Government is mandatory to open new medical colleges.