

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

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OPENING OF MEDICAL UNIVERSITIES IN TRIBAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to open Medical Universities on priority basis in the tribal dominated districts in order to provide medical facilities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure proper implementation of health facilities in the tribal dominated areas;
- (d) whether the work on the Ayurveda Sansthan near the tribal Garhchiroli district of Maharashtra is lying pending; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

- (a) to (b): There is no specific proposal to open medical university by the Central Govt. in the tribal dominated districts. It is for the State government concerned to take the necessary action for establishment of Medical University in the State as well as provide the required medical facilities.
- (c): Under the scheme of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna, Central government has proposed to set up AIIMS-type institutions and also to upgrade the facilities available in the existing medical colleges in under-served areas in terms of availability of medical infrastructure, high incidence of mortality and morbidity, inadequate facilities for super speciality services etc. in the tribal dominated States of Chhatisgarh and Jbarkhand.
- (d): No such proposal is pending with the Central Government.
- (e): Does not arise in view of (d) above.