

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

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MEDICAL UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of medical universities in the country, State-wise;
- (b) Whether the Central Government/HRD Ministry assists in upgrading and development of medical institutions in the country;
- (c) Whether the Government proposes to form a separate Medical University Grants Commission for medical institutions; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI AMBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a): As per Medical Council of India, there are Six Medical Universities in the country, as per details given below:

- (i) NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijaywada, Andhra Pradesh.
- (ii) Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore, Karnataka.
- (iii) Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- (iv) Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab.
- (v) Dr.M.G.R.Medical University, Madras, Tamilnadu.
- (vi) West Bengal University of Health Sciences, West Bengal.

(b): Under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), there is a proposal to upgrade the following medical institutions to the level of AIIMS like institutions:

- (i) Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow.
- (ii) Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences, Ranchi.
- (iii) Government Medical College, Jammu.
- (iv) Kolkata Medical College, Kolkata.
- (v) Government Medical College, Salem, Tamilnadu
- (vi) Nizam`s Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad
- (vii) Sri Venkateshwra Institute of Medical Sciences, Tirupati subject to the condition that the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam, Tirupati bear the 50% cost of up-gradation.

The capital cost of upgrading these institutions at the rate of Rs.120.00 crores (approx.) each would be provided by Government of India.

(c) & (d) Central Government has a proposal to set up Medical Grants Commission which is supposed to act as a funding agency through which the Government can provide continuous financial assistance to various medical colleges and its attached hospitals under the government sector.