

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

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

- (a) whether there is shortage of surgeons in the field of cardiology in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to grant permission to renowned foreign hospitals associated with cardiology to set up such hospitals in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) No such survey has been conducted. However, State Government have been giving Essentiality Certificate for starting of different PG/Superspeciality courses in the medical colleges/institutions in the State based on the need for starting such courses. Based on the Essentiality Certificate given by the State Government and other requirement as per MCI norms, Central Government is granting permission for starting of such courses after receiving recommendations from Medical Council of India.

d) & (e) There is no such proposal at present.