

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 494  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2019  
POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA COURSES IN MEDICAL COLLEGES**

**†\*494. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:**

**SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:**

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

- (a) whether the Post Graduate Diploma courses offered in the Medical Colleges across the country have been converted into degree courses, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) the number of medical colleges and the number of seats for which applications have been received in this regard, college-wise, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (c) the number of applications accepted and are under consideration;
- (d) the reason for not taking the decision on the remaining applications so far; and
- (e) the level at which the said applications are pending?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)**

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA  
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(a) to (e): Medical Council of India (MCI), with the prior approval of the Central Government, has amended the Opening of a New or Higher Course of Study or Training (including Post-graduate Course of Study or Training) and Increase of Admission Capacity in any Course of Study or Training (including a Postgraduate Course of Study or Training) Regulations, 2000 to allow the medical colleges / Institutions to seek equal number of Post Graduate (MD/MS) seats by surrendering recognized Diploma seats in corresponding course.

As per information provided by Board of Governors (BoG) – MCI, applications from 141 medical colleges for conversion of 2697 Diploma seats of 843 courses into Degree seats were received. All the applications were considered by the BoG – MCI and it was decided to convert 2148 PG Diploma seats of 686 courses in 115 Colleges into PG Degree seats. The applications for 549 seats of 157 courses in 54 colleges were not considered for such conversion keeping in view of non-fulfillment of eligibility criteria or non-furnishing of information by the medical college. State – wise information, including for Maharashtra, is at Annexure – I and II.

The Ministry, on receipt of such applications for conversion of PG Diploma seats into PG Degree seats, forwards the applications alongwith omission notification and undertaking to the BoG – MCI for taking decision by the last date for grant of permission in respect of PG Broad Specialty courses for the academic year.

## Degree seats increased by BoG – MCI in lieu of surrender of Diploma seats

S.No.	State	Number of colleges	Number of courses	PG degree Seats increased for AY 2019-20 after conversion of diploma seats
1	Andhra Pradesh	12	70	165
2	Assam	1	4	7
3	Bihar	2	9	13
4	Delhi	1	5	20
5	Gujarat	8	53	143
6	Haryana	1	5	13
7	Jammu & Kashmir	2	8	51
8	Jharkhand	1	5	13
9	Karnataka	23	155	469
10	Kerala	6	35	55
11	Madhya Pradesh	6	26	113
12	Maharashtra	20	124	294
13	Pondicherry	2	8	15
14	Rajasthan	3	9	44
15	Tamil Nadu	11	73	461
16	Telangana	10	74	181
17	Uttar Pradesh	3	20	81
18	West Bengal	3	3	10
	Total	115	686	2148

Diploma seats not converted into Degree seats by BoG-MCI due to non-fulfillment of eligibility criteria or non-furnishing of information by the medical college

S.No.	State	Number of colleges applied	Number of courses	Number of diploma seats re-notified
1	Andhra Pradesh	3	5	10
2	Assam	1	6	20
3	Bihar	2	10	88
4	Chattisgarh	1	8	21
5	Delhi	2	2	3
6	Gujarat	3	12	63
7	Haryana	1	3	14
8	Himachal Pradesh	1	1	2
9	Jammu & Kashmir	1	2	3
10	Jharkhand	1	2	11
11	Karnataka	9	24	99
12	Kerala	1	5	7
13	Madhya Pradesh	3	5	26
14	Maharashtra	9	31	63
15	Punjab	2	6	17
16	Pondicherry	1	1	2
17	Rajasthan	2	4	18
18	Telangana	5	10	26
19	Uttar Pradesh	1	9	17
20	Uttarakhand	1	4	9
21	West Bengal	4	7	30
	Total	54	157	549