

State of Specialist Doctors in Uttarakhand- A Research Study by SDC Foundation

Part One – Tehri District

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Specialist	Approved (स्वीकृत)	Working (कार्यरत)	Vacant (रिक्त)	% of Working to Approved (प्रतिशत)
Ortho Surgeon	2	2	0	100
Eye Surgeon	2	2	0	100
Pathologist	1	1	0	100
Radiologist	2	1	1	50
Anesthetist	14	2	12	14
Gynecologist	15	2	13	13
Public health	12	1	11	8
Physician	15	1	14	7
Child Specialist	14	1	13	7
Surgeon	14	0	14	0
Skin Diseases	2	0	2	0
ENT Surgeon	2	0	2	0
Psychiatrist	1	0	1	0
Microbiologist	1	0	1	0
Forensic Expert	1	0	1	0
TOTAL	98	13	85	13

Source: RTI filed by SDC Foundation
(Data as on April 30, 2021)

1. Tehri has the least number of specialist doctors across 13 districts in Uttarakhand. Against 98 approved positions, only 13 specialist doctors are working in Tehri. There is a shortfall of 85 specialist doctors.
2. Only 13% of the approved positions are filled creating a shortage of 87% specialists against the approved positions in Tehri.
3. There are only 2 gynecologists in Tehri that has a population of more than 6 lakh.
4. For Govt of Uttarakhand to focus on improving institutional deliveries and reducing IMR/MMR, it needs to ensure appointment of all approved gynecologist positions.
5. There is only 1 child specialist in Tehri.
6. There are no surgeons, ENT surgeons, forensic, skin diseases, microbiology and psychiatric specialists in Tehri.
7. Though several government hospitals are being operated in the PPP mode in Tehri, the Govt of Uttarakhand has to ensure that approved positions are filled quickly.

Note: Data is based on RTI reply received from the Dept. of Medical, Health & Family Welfare, Govt of Uttarakhand. According to the RTI reply, the approved, working and open positions are determined as per the Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS).

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