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A pulmonologist is a doctor who diagnoses and treats diseases of the lungs and respiratory system — such as asthma, TB, COPD, pneumonia and sleep-related breathing disorders.



Scan for everything on this career

Salary, exams, colleges, the routes in and the steps after — all on the portal.

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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। · An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

A pulmonologist is a doctor who diagnoses and treats diseases of the lungs and respiratory system — such as asthma, TB, COPD, pneumonia and sleep-related breathing disorders.

2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	MBBS + MD Respiratory / DM Pulmonary
Duration	About 9–11 years
Selection exam	NEET-UG, NEET-PG, NEET-SS
Avg Salary	₹80,000–4 lakh/month

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Helping others and serving patients
- Interest in science, anatomy and medicine
- Analysing problems and finding solutions

ABILITIES

- Sharp attention to detail
- Patience and sustained concentration
- Calm decision-making under pressure

KEY SKILLS

- Respiratory diagnosis and clinical reasoning
- Ventilator and critical-care management
- Patient counselling and long-term care
- Bronchoscopy and lung-function testing
- Interpreting radiology (X-ray/CT)
- Medical ethics and teamwork

4 How to get there

- 1 Complete 10+2 in Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology).

- 2 Clear NEET-UG and complete MBBS (5.5 years).
- 3 Complete internship and register with NMC.
- 4 Via NEET-PG, do MD (Respiratory/TB-Chest).
- 5 Optional: DM Pulmonary via NEET-SS after MD Medicine.
- 6 After registration, begin hospital or private practice.

MAIN EXAMS

- NEET-UG — entry to MBBS
- NEET-PG — entry to MD
- NEET-SS — entry to DM Pulmonary

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- एस.एम.एस. मेडिकल कॉलेज — Jaipur, Rajasthan
- आर.यू.एच.एस. कॉलेज ऑफ मेडिकल साइंसेज — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://ruhsraj.org>)
- अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान (एम्स) — Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान (एम्स) — New Delhi (<https://www.aiims.edu>)
- वल्लभभाई पटेल चेस्ट इंस्टिट्यूट — New Delhi (<https://vpci.org.in>)

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- क्रिश्चियन मेडिकल कॉलेज (सी.एम.सी.) — Vellore, Tamil Nadu (<https://www.cmch-vellore.edu>)
- कस्तूरबा मेडिकल कॉलेज — Manipal, Karnataka (<https://manipal.edu>)
- श्री रामचंद्र इंस्टिट्यूट — Chennai, Tamil Nadu (<https://www.sriramachandra.edu.in>)

ONLINE

- स्वयं (SWAYAM) — Online (<https://swayam.gov.in>)
- कोर्सेरा (पूरक कोर्स) — Online (<https://www.coursera.org>)

FEES

Government MBBS/MD fees are about ₹10,000–1 lakh per year, while private institutes may charge ₹5–20 lakh per year (2026 estimate).

SCHOLARSHIPS

- National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in>)
- Mukhyamantri Uchch Shiksha Chhatravritti (Rajasthan) (<https://hte.rajasthan.gov.in>)

- Buddy4Study (<https://www.buddy4study.com>)
- Vidya Lakshmi Education Loan (<https://www.vidyalakshmi.co.in>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Government hospitals, private and super-speciality hospitals, ICUs and respiratory units, TB and chest institutes, and private clinics.

WORK CULTURE

5–6 days a week, often 9–10 hours; ICU and emergency on-call duty are common. Opportunities exist for persons with disabilities too.

WHO HIRES

- Government hospitals (SMS, AIIMS Jodhpur)
- TB and chest-disease institutes
- Critical-care and sleep laboratories
- Private hospital chains (Fortis, Apollo, Medanta)
- Medical colleges and research institutes
- Own respiratory clinic

DEMAND (2026)

After COVID, air pollution, smoking, India's high TB burden and rising asthma-COPD have sharply increased demand for pulmonologists.

7 Career growth

- 1 Intern
- 2 Junior Resident
- 3 Senior Resident (MD/DM)
- 4 Consultant Pulmonologist
- 5 Senior Pulmonologist / HOD
- 6 Medical Director / Superintendent

EARNINGS

Starting	₹80,000–1,30,000/माह
Mid level	₹2–4 लाख/माह
Senior level	₹4–10 लाख/माह

Earnings depend on experience, institution and private practice; pay rises after DM/critical-care training (2026 estimate).

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Key role in life-saving critical care
- Very high demand after COVID
- Good balance of research and clinical work

The challenges

- Long training and tough entrance exams
- Exposure to infectious diseases
- Irregular, stressful ICU hours

9 Real-life journeys

Dr. Virendra Singh

Chest & Asthma Specialist, Asthma Bhawan Jaipur

Dr. Virendra Singh is a renowned pulmonologist of Jaipur and founder-director of Asthma Bhawan. A former professor at SMS Medical College, he has advanced asthma and allergy care and research across Rajasthan.

Asthma Bhawan · <https://asthmabhawan.com/dr-virendra-singh/>

Dr. Vijayalakshmi Thanasekaraan

Senior Pulmonologist, Chennai

Dr. Vijayalakshmi Thanasekaraan is a distinguished pulmonologist from Chennai with a career spanning over four decades in lung medicine. After MBBS, MD and DTCD she specialised in pulmonology.

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