

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the standard of the pharmaceutical education in the country is at par with standard being followed in the various developed countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (c) if not, the measures proposed to be taken by the Government to upgrade standards of the pharmaceuticals education at par with the standards being followed by developed countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

- (a) & (c) : As per the information received from the Pharmacy Council of India (PCI), the Council has introduced Pharm. D. qualification (six years course) as a registrable qualification under the Pharmacy Act, 1948 to practice the profession of pharmacy. The syllabus/course content is designed in a way that it not only takes care of national needs but is also at par with international standards. It lays emphasis on
- (i) Community Pharmacy,
 - (ii) Clinical Toxicology,
 - (iii) Pharmacotherapeutice,
 - (iv) Clinical Research,
 - (v) Hospital Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical care etc.