## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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MEDICAL COURSES IN IITS
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## Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposals to begin the medical courses in the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in the matter?

## **Answer**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Human Resources Development sought comments on its proposal for introducing medical courses in the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) in the country. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare held the opinion that establishing medical colleges by Indian Institutes of Technology for starting conventional medical courses would be advisable. However, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare considers it useful if the IITs work in collaboration with premier medical institutes like AIIMS, PGIMER, Chandigarh and JIPMERT, Puducherry etc. and design PH.D Courses in bio-medical engineering, bio-technology, e-health and other aspects of medical sciences requiring application of technology.