

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2832

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PROMOTION OF HOMOEOPATHY

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

- (a) whether India has the largest number of Homoeopathic practitioners and the largest turnover of Homoeopathic medicines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps so far taken and proposed by the Government to promote and popularise Homoeopathy among the masses in the country;
- (d) whether the Government has received proposals from various States including Bihar for setting up of treatment centres of the Indian Systems of Medicines and Homoeopathy;
- (e) if so, the details thereof during the last one year and the current year so far,State/UT-wise; and
- (f) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The number of Registered Homoeopathic practitioners in India as on 1.1.2008 is 2,39,285. At present, the Government has no mechanism to establish the turnover of Homoeopathic Medicines.

(c): Government has established Homeopathic Pharmacopoeial Laboratory, Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy, National Institute of Homoeopathy and Central Council of Homoeopathy in order to promote Homoeopathy in the country. There exists a scheme to provide consolidate amount not exceeding Rs.25000/- per dispensary per annum to the State Government as lump sum assistance for purchase of medicines. Homoeopathic Units are established in Primary Health Centre and Community Health Centre under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM). Further, Government has launched National campaign on Mother and Child Health and the awareness of Homoeopathic System is also being done through the print and electronic media under Information Education and Communication Programme and through organizing Arogya Melas.

(d): Yes.

(e)&(f): A Statement of proposals received under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Hospitals & Dispensaries for setting up of treatment Centres under Indian Systems of Medicines & Homoeopathy at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs) during the Financial year 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 is annexed.