

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:377
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2009
SINGLE COMMON MEDICAL ENTRANCE TEST FOR ADMISSIONS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Medical Council of India (MCI) has recommended that a single common medical entrance test may be conducted for admissions to all medical colleges in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the proposed test will also cover admissions in private medical colleges in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 377 FOR 29TH JULY, 2009

Medical Council of India has proposed a single common entrance test for admission to medical course covering private as well as Government colleges in the country. Such a test will not only mitigate the problems of students taking several tests but also reduce malpractices in the selection of students to the said course. The proposal of Medical Council of India is under consideration of the Government and will require consultation with the State Governments.