

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

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REFORMS IN MEDICAL EDUCATION

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to undertake various reforms in order to improve and promote medical education in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the measures taken or proposed by the Government for the purpose;
- (c) the present status of the proposal to set up the National Council of Human Resources in Health (NCHRH) aimed at regulating medical education in the country;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to conduct medical entrance examinations in regional languages;and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) to (c) To improve and promote medical education in the country, the Medical Council of India (MCI) Regulations have been amended the criteria of land requirement, teacher-student ratio, bed -strength, etc. The Ministry is also considering setting up of an overarching regulatory body viz. National Commission for Human Resources for Health (NCHRH) with a dual purpose of reforming the current regulatory framework and enhancing the supply of skilled manpower in the health sector. On the basis of comments received from States and other stakeholders, a draft Cabinet Note and Bill has been prepared which is under consideration.
- (d) No such proposal is presently under consideration.
- (e) Does not arise.