

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether India has entered into Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on health with certain countries including Bangladesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the areas of cooperation identified thereunder; and
- (d) the extent to which the above international cooperation in health is likely to improve health services in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a)& (b): Various MoUs/Agreements / Joint Statements in Health sector, have been signed by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare with foreign countries, including Bangladesh from 2010-11 to till date. Department-wise details are as under:

Department of Health & Family Welfare:

- (i) Croatia (signed on 09.06.2010),
- (ii) Malawi (signed on 12.11.2010),
- (iii) Rwanda (signed on 12.11.2010),
- (iv) Kazakhstan (signed on 16.04.2011),
- (v) Bulgaria (signed on 28.11.2011),
- (vi) Latvia (signed on 28.02.2012),
- (vii) Kuwait (signed on 23.04.2012),
- (viii) Tajikistan (signed on 03.09.2012),
- (ix) Burundi (signed on 18.09.2012),
- (x) Russia (signed on 16.12.2012),
- (xi) Bangladesh (signed on 12.02.2013).

Department of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH):

- (i) Malaysia (signed in October, 2010),
- (ii) Trinidad & Tobago (signed in January, 2012).

Department of Health Research (ICMR)

- (i) U.S.A. (signed in 2000 on HIV/AIDS & STDs. Last renewed in October, 2011).
- (ii) U.S.A. (signed in June, 2012 on Diabetes Research).

(c)&(d): Identified areas of cooperation in the above mentioned MoUs include, inter-alia, Integrated Disease Surveillance; Medical Research; Emergency Relief; Hospital management; Lab and Diagnostics; Drugs and Pharmaceutical products; HIV/AIDS & STDs., Diabetes Research, Traditional Medicine, Telemedicine; Training etc.

Implementation of the MoUs will lead to the betterment in the health of the people of the participating countries, including India.