GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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ISSUANCE OF GOOD STANDING CERTIFICATES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian doctors applying for a course or employment outside the country have to procure Good Standing Certificate from the Medical Council of India (MCI) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of doctors who requested for such certification from MCI and the number of such certificates issued during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government proposes stricter norms and regulation with regard to the above certification to stop brain drain of these doctors and to bring overseas Indian medical professionals back to the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

- (a) The Medical Council of India (MCI) issues Good Standing Certificate (GSC) in case a country, where an Indian doctor registered with MCI applies for a course or employment, seeks such a certificate.
- (b) The details of applications for GSCs received and number of GSCs issued by MCI during the last three years is as under:

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Year No. of application No. of GSCs received Issued

2010 - 2011 1157 1157
2011 - 2012 1338 1338
2012 - 2013 1212 1208
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- (c) & (d) No. However, In order to stop brain drain of doctors working under Government Sector, the following steps have been taken by the Central Government:
- (i) Pay and allowances of doctors have been enhanced considerably after implementation of the 6th Central Pay Commission.
- (ii) The age of superannuation of faculty of medical institutions has been enhanced to 65 years.
- (iii) Assured Promotion Scheme for faculty of Central Government Institutions has been revised to make it more beneficial.
- (iv) Various allowances available to faculty like Non Practicing Allowance, Conveyance Allowance, Learning Resource Allowance, etc. have been enhanced considerably.