GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:107 ANSWERED ON:22.02.2013 SHORTAGE OF HOMOEOPATHIC DOCTORS IN CGHS

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

- (a) whether a large number of posts of Homoeopathic doctors/advisors are lying vacant in CGHS dispensaries and Department of AYUSH across the country for the last several years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken by the Government to fill up these vacancies in a time bound manner;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to appoint Homoeopathic doctors on contractual basis to meet the shortage of doctors and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the concrete measures taken/being taken by the Government to ensure smooth running of the CGHS dispensaries?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) There are 39 posts of Homoeopathic Doctors currently lying vacant In Department of AYUSH including one post of Adviser and its break-up is as under:-

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CGHS- 28
{13 (Delhi/NCR) and 15 (Outside Delhi)}

Department of AYUSH- 11
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A proposal to fill up 27 posts of Homoeopathic Doctors has been sent to the Union Public Service Commission in August, 2012 under Single Window System. As the remaining posts are required to be revived as per the extant instruction of the Central Government, the process has been initiated to revive these posts in consultation with the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure). In respect of Adviser (Homoeopathy), the UPSC held the DPC meeting on 04.10.2012 to fill up the post by promotion which, however, did not materialize due to the retirement of the recommended candidate.

(c) & (d) In order to fill up the vacant posts of Homeopathic doctors, D/o AYUSH has initiated the action as indicated above, however, CGHS appoints the retired Homeopathic Doctors on contract basis in order to meet the immediate requirement of Doctors for catering the medical needs to the CGHS beneficiaries and to ensure smooth running of the CGHS dispensaries. Interviews have already been held on 21st December, 2012 for contractual appointment on short term basis.