

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

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UPDATING OF SYLLABUS OF MEDICAL COURSES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government/Medical Council of India (MCI) gives due cognizance to changing pattern of diseases and life style, new medicinal innovations and unprecedented climatic conditions while updating syllabus of various medical courses in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed by the Government for regular updating of syllabus of medical courses in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) The Medical Council of India (MCI) is the statutory body responsible for establishing and maintaining high standards in medical education. The Council has informed that it is making efforts to update the undergraduate curriculum which inter-alia include the following:

- (i) Demonstrate understanding of the patho-physiologic basis, epidemiological profile, signs and symptoms of disease and their investigation and management.
- (ii) Manage common medical emergencies and refer when required.
- (iii) Understanding of physical, social, psychological, economic and environment determinates of health and disease.