## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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SCREENING TEST FOR FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES
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## Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated number of students who leave India each year for medical education abroad;
- (b) the number of students who appeared in the Screening test conducted by the National Board of Examinations (NBE) and the number of out of them succeeded during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether cases of harassment and delay in issuance of eligibility certificates to the candidates declared successful in the above screening test have come to the notice of the Government;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed by the Government thereon; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed by the Government to reduce the period of issuance of eligibility certificate to the successful candidates in Screening test?

## **Answer**

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

- (a): No such information is being maintained by this Ministry.
- (b): The details of the students who appeared and succeeded in the Screening test conducted by the National Board of Examinations (NBE) during each of the last three years and the current year are as under:

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2010-11 11926 2707

2011-12 13630 3537

2012-13 13953 3664

2013-14 Examination for September 2013 session is scheduled to be conducted on 29.09.2013.

(c) to (e): The Medical Council of India (MCI) grants eligibility certificates to the Indian candidate/OCI as per Eligibility Certificate Regulations and Screening Test Regulation 2002 for taking admission in an under Graduate Medical Course in a Foreign Medical Institution. MCI issues eligibility certificates to the candidates to enable them to appear in the Screening Test Examinations which is conducted by NBE.