

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3721  
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ASSAULTS ON DOCTORS  
Singh Shri Dushyant

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

(a): Whether the Indian Medical Association (IMA) has expressed concern over the growing number of incidents of assaults on doctors and demanded that such incidents are thoroughly probed to reach the root cause so that the guilty could be punished; and

(b): If so, the concrete remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): As informed by Indian Medical Association (IMA), while expressing concern over growing number of assaults on doctors and hospitals, IMA vide their three identical letters dated 18.12.2009 addressed to Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad, Minister of Health and family welfare, Shri P. Chidambaram, Minister of Home Affairs and Shri M. Veerappa Moily, Minister of law and justice, inter alia, requested to bring a legislation by the central Government immediately to deal with cases of violence against doctors and hospitals, as such legislation has already been passed by 8 states.