

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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Discrimination Against Transgenders
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the transgenders are facing discrimination and social stigma while accessing healthcare services in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the doctors and other medical personnel are given any specialized training to handle the medical cases of transgenders with increased sensitivity; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI VJAY SAMPLA)

(a)&(b) As informed by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Public health is a State subject. However, no such issue has been reported to that Ministry.

(c)&(d) The training to handle the medical cases of transgender is a part of standard medical education of medical personnel. Every doctor is required to give medical treatment to all patients irrespective of their gender with due empathy. No special training is provided in this regard. However, sensitization is done time to time in some Government hospitals.