

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

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CORRUPTION IN DENTAL COUNCIL OF INDIA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of reported alleged cases of corruption, malpractices and irregularities in the Dental Council of India (DCI) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the action taken by the Government against the erring officials; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to bring transparency in the functioning of DCI?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

(a) to (c): The Central Government on receipt of complaint against Dental Council of India seeks comments of Dental Council of India and other concerned authorities and thereafter the case is forwarded to Vigilance Division for appropriate action. During the last three years and the current year, a case against Dr. Anil Kohli, former President of DCI was registered by CBI regarding recognition granted to various Dental Colleges. CBI had conducted searches in respect of members of Dental Council of India and Dental Colleges during the month of January 2013. Detail of the same is at Annexure -I. CBI has also registered 2 cases against members of Dental Council of India and private persons. The details of these 2 cases is at Annexure - II. Further another matter has been under active examination of CBI against Dental Council of India in respect of Awadh Dental College and Hospital, Jamshedpur (Jharkhand) for running MDS courses and enhancing seats in the BDS Courses.

(d): In August, 2013, the Central Government has constituted a Committee of Experts in the field of Dentistry to review various aspects of Dentistry Education including restructuring of Dental Council of India. Besides other things, the Committee would give recommendations regarding the structure, governance, method and functions of Dental Council of India.