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Title: Regarding problem faced by Indian Medical students graduated from Russia, Belarus and other countries in 2012.

SHRI BHAUSAHEB RAJARAM WAKCHAURE (SHIRDI): Mr. Chairman, Sir, Indian students who graduated from different medical institutes in Russia, Belarus and other countries in the year 2012 are facing problems in regard to their registration and practice in India. The Medical Council of India organised a screening test on 30th September, 2012 through National Board of Examination. Surprisingly, the NEB is not declaring results of these students, citing the reason that they are not eligible to appear in the examination due to the amendment made by the Medical Council of India on 16.04.2010. I quote the said amendment:

"Provided that he/she has studied for the medical course at the same institute located abroad for the entire duration of the course from where he/she has obtained the degree. "

When this amendment was made, at that time these students were studying out of India and hence, they were totally unaware of the amendment.

Now, these students were forced to change universities because they had no other option other than leaving their education and to come back to India without completing their degrees. This transfer is as per the rules of the respective countries and even of the World Health Organisation. Indian students passing out from these universities without changing their universities are eligible to appear for the screening test and so, to practice in India, which means all of them are recognized by Medical Council of India, but when one student is getting transfer between the same universities, then he is not eligible.

Secondly, even if someone is willing to practice as a doctor in countries like USA, the latest policies of the Government of India are not allowing an Indian

citizen to do so. In any case, these students are willing to serve as doctors in India because they know how much our nation needs the medical services.

There are not only the students who are trapped in this case but there are more like them who have appeared for the screening test. Moreover, few hundreds of Indian citizens are going to complete their education in the upcoming months and they are also going to suffer, if the problem is not solved.

On behalf of all these suffering doctors, I urge upon the Government to intervene in the matter and resolve the problems of these medical specialists who are ready to serve the nation.