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(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD):**

(a) and (b). the curriculum and Syllabi for Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic colleges are regulated by the Central Council of Indian Medicine and Central Council of Homoeopathy respectively. Therefore, the question of recognition of the training in surgery being given to Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic degree in Kerala by the Medical Council of India does not arise. The Medical Council of India is, however, not in favour of mixing up of the modern scientific system of medicine with other systems of medicine. Collaboration in various systems could be considered at research level.

#### **Recognition of MBBS Degree of Nigerian University**

10161. **PROF. P. J. KURIEN:** Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any final decision has been taken by Government regarding recognition of the MBBS degree of Nigerian University by the Indian medical Council;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD):**

(a) and (b). The question regarding recognition of medical degrees awarded by the Nigerian Universities to the Indian doctors is at present under consideration of the Medical Council of India. the Council have proposed to send a team to Nigeria to inspect the teaching and other facilities available in

the medical institutions of that country for the purpose of recognition of their medical degrees. The Council has been requested to make necessary arrangements for the visit, in consultation with our High Commission in Lagos.

(c) Question does not arise.

#### **National Tuberculosis Control Programme**

10162. **DR. RAM CHANDRA DOME:** Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any review of National Tuberculosis Control Programme;

(b) if so, the the details thereof:

(c) whether any demographic study in relation to tuberculosis in our country has been done; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD):**

(a) Yes. Sir.

(b) There is an inbuilt system of monitoring of performance of TB Programme since its very inception. Detailed work report of the functioning of essential components of the programme is obtained on quarterly basis by National TB Institute, Bangalore, where the reports are analysed, performance is assessed and needful corrective measures taken and guidance is rendered to individual district TB Centres and State Health Authorities. The Programme was also evaluated in depth by a High Power Expert Committee of ICMR about 14 years back.

Recently an indent evaluation of per-