

(c) The national effort for Family Welfare has now been substantially re-organised and strengthened with a view to arresting population growth. The following schemes are being implemented :

- (i) An integrated and holistic programme of Reproductive and Child Health that include Maternal health, Child Health and Contraception issues launched in 1997;
- (ii) Information, Education and Communication Programme to create awareness about the benefits of small family;
- (iii) Assistance to States/UTs to maintain certain Family Welfare infrastructure;
- (iv) Assistance to Voluntary Organisations and NGOs for implementing family welfare programmes.

Closing down of Fake Medical Institutions

†1030. PROF. RAM GOPAL YADAV:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

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

(a) whether Government propose to take any concrete steps to close down hundreds of fake medical and other educational institutions totally in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details of proposed action by Government and by when it would be initiated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM): (a) The University Grants Commission has set up a Malpractices Cell in Education to deal with matters relating to the existence/functioning of fake universities in the country. The U.G.C. has informed that they are not aware of existence of fake medical colleges in Delhi. However, the following four fake universities are functioning in Delhi in contravention of the U.G.C. Act, 1956:—

(1) Varanaseya Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Jagat Puri, Delhi.

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(2) Commercial University Ltd., Daryaganj, Delhi

(3) United Nations University, Delhi; and

(4) Vocational University, Delhi.

(b) The action taken by U.G.C. to check such fake universities are as under:—

(i) At the beginning of each academic year U.G.C. issues Press Release cautioning students and public not to pursue education in fake universities.

(ii) The U.G.C. has set up a Malpractices Cell in Education to deal with functioning of fake universities.

(iii) The U.G.C. also liaises with the various agencies of the Central and State Governments and take such measures as are necessary.

(iv) The U.G.C. has filed court cases against some of the fake institutions in the country.

Central Universities in North-East

1031. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Universities opened in the North-Eastern States, State-wise;

(b) whether Government have any plan to open any Central University in the Region; and

(c) if so, by when; if not, why disparity in the opening of Central University in North-Eastern States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL:

(a) There are four Central Universities in the North-Eastern States. Their state-wise location is as follows:

(1) North-Eastern Hill University, (Shillong), Meghalaya;

(2) Assam University, (Silchar) Assam;