

- (ix) Supplementation of all children who are anaemic, with iron supplements from the age of 6 months to 60 months along with periodic de-worming;
- (x) Nutrition counseling of care givers by health care personnel, utilizing Village Health and Nutrition Days (VHNDs); and
- (xi) Establishment of Nutritional Rehabilitation Centres (NRC) to address severe acute malnutrition.

Shortage of doctors and para-medical staff

4247. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is shortage of doctors and para-medical staff at Public Health Centres and Community Health Centres across the country;
- (b) if so, what is the required ratio of doctors and para-medical staff;
- (c) the details of the present ratio; and
- (d) what are the steps taken for increasing the number of doctors and para-medical staff?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) A statement showing required and in position doctors and paramedical staff across the country at Primary Health Centres [PHC] and Community Health Centres [CHC], as per the Bulletin on Rural Health Statistics in India [updated upto March, 2008] is enclosed (See below).

(d) Human resource engagement is a major thrust area under NRHM and is a priority being pursued with the States/UT Governments. This include multi-skilling of doctors and para-medics, provision of incentives, to serve in rural areas like blended payments, difficult areas allowances, PG allowance, case based payments, improved accommodation arrangements, provision of AYUSH doctors and paramedics in PHOs and CHOs as additional doctors in rural areas, block pooling of doctors in underserved areas, engaging with the non government sector for underserved areas, provisioning of united and flexible funds etc. Under NRHM, as per information received from States, 2460 specialists at CHCs and 8624 General Duty Medical Doctors, 14490 Para Medics and 26793 Staff Nurses have been appointed on contractual basis across the country as on January, 2010.

Statement

*Required, in position and shortfall of doctors and paramedical staff
across the country, as per the Bulletin on Rural Health Statistics
in India [updated upto March, 2008].*

Sl.No.	Post of Staff	Requirement	In Position
1	Doctors at PHC	23458	24375
2	Specialists at CHC	17104	4279
3	Pharmacists at PHCs and CHCs	27734	20956
4	Laboratory Technicians at PHCs and CHCs	27734	12886
5	Nurse Midwife/Staff Nurse at PHCs and CHCs	53390	44936
6	Health Assistants [Female]/LHV at PHC	23458	17608
7	Health Assistants [Male] at PHC	23458	17976

Diversion of funds from Unani medical system

4248. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Unani funds diverted to other systems/pathies during the last three years and the current year so far;
- (b) the reasons for the same along with the details of the funds of other systems and pathies diverted to Unani system during the same period;
- (c) whether it is a fact that recurring and continuous diversion and non-utilization of Unani funds is adversely affecting the Unani medical system as a whole; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken to prevent diversion of Unani funds and also to increase funds for the Unani system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN): (a) The Government is not aware of any diversion of funds from Unani to other systems under AYUSH.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No.
- (d) Does not arise.

Condition of Physiotherapy Departments, Safdarjung Hospital

4249. PROF. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: