

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:

(a) whether Physiotherapy Department in Safdarjung Hospital has been shifted in the midst of barracks not accessible by patients having knee problem;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to locate the Physiotherapy Department at a convenient place having parking facility;

(c) whether there is also any proposal to provide Physiotherapist at home on charges in view of the difficulties encountered by patients in the hospital; and

(d) if not, how Government proposes to provide health care to all?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) Physiotherapy Section in Safdarjung Hospital is available in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Deptt., Orthopedic Surgery Department and Burns & Plastic Surgery Department. Physiotherapy Section in Orthopedic Surgery Deptt. is located in barracks. Steps have been initiated to locate the Physiotherapy Department at convenient place which would be easily accessible to patients having knee problems. There is no such proposal to provide physiotherapist at home on charges.

Population growth

†4250. SHRI OM PRAKASH MATHUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of targets for population control fixed and achieved, State-wise;

(b) the details of the financial assistance provided to the States under this head during the last two years; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to check rising population?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No targets are fixed for population control as family planning is voluntary in nature, which enables the couples to adopt the family planning methods, best suited to them according to their choice, without any compulsion. However, one of the Goals of National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) is to achieve the Total Fertility Rate (TFR) of 2.1 by 2012. TFR in India which was 2.9 in 2005 has reduced to 2.6 in 2008. Further, out of the 20 States for which 2008 estimates of TFR are available from the Sample Registration System (SRS) of Registrar General of India, 9 States namely, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Punjab, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal have already achieved the replacement level of TFR (2.1). 5 States namely Assam, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, Haryana and Orissa, are quite close to achieving the replacement level as they have

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