

**Recognition of naturopathy as a system of medicine**

929. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:  
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:  
SHRI SHRIKANT VERMA:

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

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to recognise naturopathy as a system of medicine; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) and (b) The Government is already treating Naturopathy as a separate system of medicine and is giving grants to voluntary institutions engaged in Nature Cure Therapy. Non-recurring grants-in-aid are given for the construction of buildings and additions to existing buildings; for the purchase of equipments, library books and educational aids; and for the production of health education materials. Recurring grants are given to meet expenditure on approved research schemes, training courses, for the introduction of uniform syllabus, for arranging training courses and for the propagation of nature cure. Grants are released according to the established pattern of assistance. During 1975-76 and 1976-77 Rs. 4.50 lakhs each were released as grants. The allocation for the current financial year is also Rs. 4.50 lakhs.

**Appointments for the posts of General Duty Medical Officers**

930. SHRI HARSH DEO MALAVIYA Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any complaints/representations

from the Delhi Medical Association regarding irregular appointments recently made for the posts of General Duty Medical Officers; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

**Symposium on 'Theoretical Problems of Eastern Linguistics' held in Moscow**

931. SHRI HARSH DEO MALAVIYA:

SHRI HIMMAT SINH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an International Symposium on "Theoretical Problems of Eastern Linguistics" was held in Moscow on the 22nd November, 1977;

(b) whether the Symposium held the view that various terms and notions taken from Sanskrit grammar are broadly used by the European linguists and that the Arab tradition is close to Sanskrit; and

(c) if so, what are the details of the discussions held at the Symposium?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI RENUKA DEVI BARAKATKI): (a) to (c) Information is the Table of the House.

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