

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY): (a) and (b) WHO's estimate for the prevalence of Tuberculosis in the country is three million as published in Global Tuberculosis Control 2010. Government of India does not have any separate estimate of TB Prevalence.

(c) and (d) A study conducted by Tuberculosis Research Centre, Chennai revealed that TB affects the most productive age group, and on an average 3 months of work time is lost if an adult has TB.

Comprehensive database on healthcare resources

1636. SHRI THOMAS SANGMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to build an accurate and reliable database that provide information about key aspects of human resources in health, such as the number of different types of health workers and their general location, the number of doctors and nurses that emigrate, student capacity in public and private nursing institutions etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The preparation of a database providing details of requirement of human resources in health sector is part of the assessment done by regulatory authorities for health professions such as Medical Council of India, Indian Nursing Council of India etc. These regulatory authorities, from time to time, assess the requirement of human resources in health and make recommendations to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare which are implemented after due consideration.

(c) Does not arise.

Appointment of AIIMS faculty members on contract basis

†1637. SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BAL APTE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the faculty members of AIIMS are working on contract basis;

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