

Manipulation of facts by VMMC, Delhi

1643. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the Vardhaman Mahavir Medical College (VMMC), Delhi has manipulated facts for getting approval of Medical Council of India (MCI) to super-speciality courses;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No. As per information received from Medical Council of India, only one superspeciality course namely M.Ch in Plastic Surgery is recognized/permited at Vardhaman Mahavir Medical College (VMMC), Delhi.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Rise in number of cancer patients in the country

†1644. SHRI PARVEZ HASHMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of cancer patients has gone up in India;

(b) if so, the current number thereof;

(c) the Evaluation Reports filed by WHO and experts in the field of medical sciences; and

(d) the action being taken to create awareness of cancer among people and for preventive measures thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY): (a) and (b) Yes. According to "Three Year Report on Population Based Cancer Registries 2006-2008" of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), the estimated number of Males and Females cancer patients based on the recent report for the year 2010 is 497571 and 568912 respectively.

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