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139	Dr. Gunjan Jainn M.O.	16.11.2010
140	Dr. Rajneesh Kumar M.O.	8.7.2011
141	Dr. Binod Kumar M.O	19.8.2011
142	Dr. Pasha Mohan M.O. (Homeo)	July-2010
143	Dr. Shalu Tyagi M.O	10.1.2012
144	Dr. Dipti Sharma M.O.	April-2012
145	Dr. Jagriti Kutiyal M.O.	Oct.2010
146	Dr. Manpj Kumar M.O	13.2.2008
147	Dr. Swati Singh M.O	5.5.2009
148	Dr. Sudhir Kumar Gupta M.O	March, 2011
149	Dr. Shailendrda Kumar M.O.	6.1.2011
150	Dr. Ajay Kumar Kesari M.O.	12.5.2011

Violation of MCI guidelines by private medical colleges

1635. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that private medical colleges are violating the MCI guidelines by not providing salary equal to the Government medical colleges to their teaching faculties;

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to ensure payment of equal salary to teaching staffs in private medical colleges all over the country;

(c) whether it is a fact that this problem is one of the major reasons for the poor quality of private medical colleges, which are violating these guidelines; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) Medical Council of India Act, 1956 and MCI Regulations

made there under do not have any provisions for fixation of salary of teaching faculty of medical colleges. However, salary for the faculty of government medical colleges is, being fixed by the respective State Governments.

Adolescent anaemia

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that adolescent anaemia is fast overtaking the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is proposed to launch any programme on a weekly basis to address this issue;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the gravity of this illness in the country-side with reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether it is proposed to launch this programme free of cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.H. KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) Anaemia is a long standing problem in India and the country has a high prevalence of anaemia amongst adolescents.

(b) The prevalence of anaemia in girls and in boys is high as per the reports of NFHS 3 (2005-06). According to NFHS 3 data, over 56% of adolescent girls and 30% boys are anaemic. Adolescent girls in particular are more vulnerable to anaemia due to the rapid growth of the body and loss of blood during menstruation.

According to NFHS-3 more than 39% adolescent girls (15-19 years) are mildly anaemic while 15% and 2% suffer from moderate and severe anaemia respectively.

(c) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has launched the Weekly Iron and Folic Acid (IFA) supplementation Programme.

(d) The Weekly Iron and Folic Acid Supplementation programme of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is estimated to cover approximately 13 Crore