

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA) : (a) and (b) Since Health is a State subject, no such information is maintained centrally. However, as far as three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College and Associated Hospitals are concerned, no such report has been received.

It is the responsibility of the State Government to provide health care services to all people including rural people. However, under the National Health Mission, financial support is provided to States/UTs to strengthen public health system, including support for infrastructure, human resource, drugs, equipment etc. based on the requirement proposed by the State/UTs in their Programme Implementation Plans.

Stemming brain drain of doctors

1713. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the country is witnessing a huge brain drain of doctors that directly affects our health sector;

(b) if so, the number of medical students went abroad for higher studies in the last five years and number of students returned back to India; and

(c) whether Government has taken stringent action to stop brain drain of doctors, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA) : (a) to (c) During 2010-2014, a total number of 3947 Statement of NEED (SON) Certificates and Exceptional Need Certificates (ENC) were issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to Indian doctors to enable them to pursue higher medical studies in the United States of America (USA).

As per the revised guidelines of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, No Obligation to Return to India (NORI) Certificate will not be issued in any circumstance, except for those who are above 65 years of age.

The following steps have been taken by the Central Government to improve the working conditions of the doctors:

- (i) Pay and allowances of doctors have been enhanced considerably after implementation of the 6th Central Pay Commission.

- (ii) MCI regulations has been amended to provide the age of superannuation for doctors in teaching cadre can go upto 70 years.
- (iii) Assured Career Progression Scheme for faculty of Central Government Institutions has been revised to make it more beneficial.
- (iv) Various allowances available to faculty like Non Practicing Allowance, Conveyance Allowance, Learning Resource Allowance etc. have been enhanced considerably.

Upgradation of PHC in Shimla district, Himachal Pradesh

1714. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the guidelines fixed by Government for implementation of NRHM scheme in the country particularly hilly and rural areas;
- (b) whether Government contemplates to upgrade Primary Health Centre, Jangla in Chirgaon Tehsil in Shimla district of Himachal Pradesh into a 30 bedded mini hospital so that people of six Panchayats may get 24 hours emergency medical facility; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) The Framework for Implementation of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), 2005-12 outlines the goals, outcomes and strategies for implementation of NRHM for meeting people's health needs in rural areas. With the launch of the National Health Mission (NHM) with NRHM and the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) as its two sub-Missions, the Framework for Implementation of NHM, 2012-2017 has been issued. The same is available in the public domain at <http://nrhm.gov.in/nhm/nrhm-framework-for-implementation.html>.

(b) and (c) Public health is a State subject. The Central Government does not directly take up upgradation of Primary Health Centres. Under the National Health Mission, support is provided to States/UTs to strengthen their healthcare system including for upgradation of Primary Health Centres based on proposals submitted by the State/UT Governments.

As per information provided by the State Government, no such proposal is under consideration. Civil Hospital Rohru is situated at a distance of 10 Kms and CHC at