

Restructuring of MCI

2605. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI:

PROF. M. V. RAJEEV GOWDA:

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

(a) whether the Ministry has accepted the report of Department Related Standing Committee on Functioning of Medical Council of India (MCI);

(b) what measures will be taken by the Ministry to implement recommendation of the report to bifurcate the two major functions of MCI viz. medical education and ensuring ethical conduct by medical professionals; and

(c) what measures will be taken on the recommendation to make the regulatory structure of MCI more participatory to include Public Health Experts, Social Scientists, NGOs and activists working on health rights, legal experts, patient advocacy groups etc. in the governance and executive structure of MCI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE): (a) to (c) The Central Government had constituted a Group of Experts (GoE) headed by Late Dr. Ranjit Roy Choudhury. The Group has already submitted its report to the Ministry. This report was subsequently examined by the Parliamentary Standing Committee (PSC) and they too have made their recommendations. A four member Committee headed by Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog has been constituted on 28.03.2016 with the following Terms of References (ToRs):

- (i) The Committee may examine all options for reforms in the Medical Council of India and suggest way forward.
- (ii) The Committee may also visit the features of other regulatory institutions in the field of medical education and suggest suitable reforms.

Doctors shortage in CHS

2606. SHRI A. U. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is facing a shortage of surgeons in Central Health Services (CHS) across India, if so, the details thereof and corrective action, if any, taken;

(b) whether there are States in the country that do not have any surgeons in their CHS, if so, the details thereof and corrective action, if any, taken by Government; and