

**Curbing attacks on doctors**

†2508. SHRI SHIV PRATAP SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite the fact that Medical Protection Act is enforced in Uttar Pradesh, some incidents of attacks on doctors have come into light;

(b) the details thereof and the number of incidents of attack on doctors in the country as available with the Ministry; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to stop occurrence of such incidents and to make the Act more effective?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE): (a) and (b) Health being a State subject, such information is not maintained centrally. However, so far as the Central Government Hospitals in Delhi, namely, Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Lady Hardinge Medical College and associated Hospitals are concerned, some such incidents have been reported by these hospitals.

(c) Based on the recommendations of the Inter-Ministerial Committee constituted in the Ministry to review various issues including the issue of frequent instances of assault on doctors across the country, all the States/UTs have already been requested on 7.7.2017 to consider a specific legislation to protect doctors/health professional or to enforce strictly the provisions of special legislation whenever they exist.

**Regular Director for RIMS, Imphal**

†2509. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the post of Director has been lying vacant since 2014 in Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal, Manipur;

(b) whether it is also a fact that an IAS officer has been deputed as acting director in the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences;

(c) if so, the reasons for not appointing the Regular Director in the said institute; and

(d) by when a regular director is likely to be appointed in Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal, Manipur?

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