

study has alleged that the quantity of salt and fat in the samples tested were higher than the threshold limits proposed in the draft Food Safety and Standards (Labelling and Display) Regulations.

Out of Total 33 samples tested in the said study, 19 samples are of 'prepared food' where 'Front- of-Pack' Labelling is not applicable. As far as pre-packaged food items are concerned, the sample size (14 samples) is too small and cannot be considered as representative of pre-packaged food industry in the country.

New parameters to treat diabetes and thyroid disorders

1367. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether international health bodies have changed parameters of diabetes and thyroid disorders;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the hospitals in the country are still following old parameters to treat diabetics and thyroid disorders in the country; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) to (d) There has been no recent change in parameters of diabetes and thyroid disorders by the World Health Organisation (WHO). However, American Thyroid Association in the year 2017 has revised the parameters for diagnosing and treating hypothyroidism in pregnancy.

In India, ICMR guidelines for Management of Diabetes, 2018 and Diagnosis and Management of Gestational Diabetes Mellitus - Technical and Operational Guidelines are followed for diabetes. National Guidelines for Screening of Hypothyroidism during Pregnancy are followed for thyroid in pregnancy.

Medical colleges not meeting basic criteria to run MBBS courses

1368. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: