

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1170
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2005
ISSUANCE OF DIPLOMAS BY NATIONAL BOARD OF EXAMINATION
McLeod Smt. Ingrid;Purandeswari Smt. Daggubati

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

- (a) Whether the National Board of Examination set up by the Government to standardize the level of medical education in India has also started issuing diplomas to medical post-graduates;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ;
- (c) whether the courts have ruled this practice to be illegal;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken to discontinue the practice?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (e) : The National Board of Examinations was set up as a Registered Society with the primary objective of improving the quality of medical education by elevating the level of establishing standard of postgraduate examination in modern medicines. The Board is also awarding degree called `Diplomate of National Board`. The Diplomate qualifications awarded by NBE have been equated with postgraduate degree and post doctoral level qualifications of Universities and are included in the First Schedule to Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, vide Notification dated 19th September, 1983.