

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

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RURAL TRAINING FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal under consideration to make rural training mandatory for the Medical students;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the guidelines have been issued to various State Government and Medical Colleges in this regard: and
- (d) if so, the details of the response of the State Governments and the Medical Colleges thereto?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE ( DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) to (d) The Government has constituted a Task Force on Medical Education for the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) under the Chairmanship of Ex-Union Health Secretary. The Task Force is required to suggest amongst other measures as to how rural service can be made attractive for MBBS doctors along with other possibilities of providing Health care in rural and under served areas including modifications in the curriculum for Medical course.