

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

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MANDATORY RURAL POSTING OF DOCTORS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make it mandatory for all doctors to undergo one year rural posting before they get permanent registration;
- (b) if so, the reasons for such a move;
- (c) whether this decision has been opposed by the doctors and the Medical Council of India (MCI);
- (d) the time by which the decision is likely to be implemented;
- (e) whether any remuneration will be paid to the doctors during the one year rural stint;
- (f) if so, the details thereof;
- (g) whether the private colleges will also be part of this scheme; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (h) The Government constituted a Task force on Medical Education for the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) under the Chairmanship of Shri Javed Chaudhary, Ex-Union Health Secretary. The Task Force was required to suggest among 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 modification in the curriculum for the medical course. The Task Force has submitted its report and the same is under consideration of the Government.