

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

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MEDICAL EDUCATION FOR RURAL HEALTH CARE

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

- (a) whether several organisations including the Indian/Delhi Medical Association have protested on the proposed course `Bachelor of Rural Health Care`;
- (b) if so, whether a large number of Doctors have suggested that medical graduates should be offered better allowances and facilities so that they would accept rural areas as their place of work;
- (c) if so, the para-medical staff, health workers, pharmacists and laboratory technicians will also be strengthened thereby to help the rural public;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to make the rural service compulsory for the fresh medical doctors;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of health infrastructure proposed to be created for improving health of the rural population, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRVEDI)

(a) & (b) Yes.

(c) The proposed Bachelor of Rural Health Care course aims to generate a cadre of health care providers who by the virtue of the way they are chosen, trained, deployed and supported would be motivated to live in and provide comprehensive primate health care in rural areas at Sub-Centre level.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) launched in April 2005, the State Governments/UT Administrations incorporate their requirements for upgradation of infrastructure in their annual Project Implementation Plans (PIPs) of NRHM. These PIPs are examined the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and funds are released to the State Governments/UT Administrations on the recommendation of National Programme Coordination Committee (NPCC) for utilization.