

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1624
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH JULY, 2018**

MEDICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

1624. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

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

- (a) whether the Medical Education Curriculum of the country is at par with international standards and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether different pattern of examination for medical education in States has led to increased level of corruption; and
- (c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to rectify it?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): Medical Council of India (MCI) is a statutory body to prescribe and maintain standards in medical education in the country. MCI has recently revised the MBBS curriculum to make it competency based at par with global standards. It was done in consultation with all the stakeholders including inviting comments from the public. The undergraduate programme would include a foundation course of one month to orient students to medical profession, ethics, patients safety, national health priorities, alternate health systems etc. The curriculum provides for early clinical exposure, electives and longitudinal care. It also reinforces skill acquisition by students through necessary certification of certain essential skills. Revision of the curriculum is a continuous process.

(b) & (c): The annual examination for the medical students is conducted by the University concerned as per the common syllabus prescribed by MCI. A uniform entrance examination namely National Eligibility - cum - Entrance Test (NEET) has already been introduced for admission to Undergraduate and Postgraduate medical / dental courses. Further, the National Medical Commission Bill, 2017 provides that the final year MBBS exam shall be common across the country which will serve as an Exit Test for the medical graduates.

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