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RAJYA SABHA
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REGULATORY BODY FOR MEDICAL AND PARAMEDICAL EDUCATION .

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(a) whether it is a fact that the Task Force set up to workout the modalities of setting up of regulatory body, has recommended for creation of regulatory body in the field for medical and paramedical education to achieve the objective of skilled human resources in health and paramedical education;

(b) if so, whether the proposal to set up National Council for Human Resource in Health (NCHRH) is a part of this proposal; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not setting up of the NCHRH after abolition of Medical Council of India (MCI) and what made Government to promulgate Ordinance?

<p style="text-align:center">ANSWER</p>

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The proposal for setting up of the National Council for Human Resource in Health (NCHRH) is underway. However certain recent development in the functioning of the Medical Council of India (MCI) effecting the standard of medical education, recognition of medical institutions etc., have shaken the confidence of the general public in the functioning of the MCI necessitating urgent remedial measures. As the Indian Medical Act, 1956 does not contain any enabling provision for taking over the powers of the President of the Medical Council of India or superseding the Council in

case of necessity, it was considered necessary to entrust the affairs of the Medical Council of India to a Board of Governors till such time the Council is reconstituted or altogether a new body like National Council of Human Resources in Health (NCHRH) is established by suitable legislation.

Since both the House of Parliament were not in session and urgent legislation was required to be made, the President promulgated the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2010 on the 15th May 2010.