

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 8
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15TH DECEMBER, 2017**

NURSING CURRICULUM AND TRAINING MODULES

8. SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.:

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

- (a) whether the experts have advocated the need for developing the capacity of nurses for effective control on tuberculosis;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to incorporate study of tuberculosis in the nursing curriculum and training modules; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Yes. The need for developing the capacity of nurses for effective control of Tuberculosis has been well realized by the Program. Under the program, nurses are trained along with other program staff on all the latest issues.

The Central TB Division along with Indian Nursing Council had developed the Nurses Training Manual in RNTCP titled "Training of Nurses on Tuberculosis Care & Control in India" in August 2014. The manual is currently undergoing revision to align it with the Revised Technical and Operational Guidelines for Tuberculosis Control in India 2016.

Also, the study of Tuberculosis is already a part of the pre-service education of nurses. Four years, Nursing Curriculum dedicates 20 hours of teaching every year for topics on communicable diseases which includes Tuberculosis.

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