

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.255
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3RD AUGUST, 2018
MEDICAL EDUCATION IN HINDI LANGUAGE**

†*255. DR. BHARATIBEN D. SHYAL:

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

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to introduce medical education in Hindi language also and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any timeframe has been fixed in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has also sought opinion of the commissions related to educational structure laid down/set up earlier; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a) to (e) Medical Council of India (MCI) is the apex body to regulate medical education in the country in accordance with the provisions of Indian Medical Council Act, 1956. The MCI has examined the matter of imparting medical education in Hindi as a medium of instruction. It was observed by them that there is paucity of adequate teaching/ learning resource material for imparting medical education in Hindi as medium of instruction. Further, the curriculum and syllabi is required to be updated in a timely manner on the basis of scientific and technological advancement, the bulk of which is available in English Language. The MCI also observed that the developed countries and most of the neighbouring countries have English as a medium of instruction for medical education. Instruction in English Language provides opportunities of international exposure and experience to the Indian medical graduates. Therefore, MCI keeping these concerns in mind has decided not to impart medical education in Hindi at this juncture.
