

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

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO.356  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2018  
MOU IN HEALTHCARE SECTOR**

**†\*356. SHRI BODHSINGH BHAGAT:**

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

- (a) whether India has signed any Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with other countries of the world for increasing co-operation in healthcare sector recently;
- (b) if so, the details and targets/ objectives of the said MoU; and
- (c) the details of major sectors identified for co-operation in the said MoU?

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

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA  
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(a): Yes, India is having ongoing bilateral relations in health sector with 53 countries presently (as in Annexure). During the current calendar year, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has signed Agreements / Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) / Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) with the five (5) countries, namely (i) Oman (ii) Iran (iii) Jordan (iv) Timor Leste and (v) Swaziland for cooperation in health sector.

(b) and (c): International cooperation encourages joint initiatives in capacity building, training, exchange of information, exchange of experts, health manpower development, technical support in establishing laboratories/ hospitals and research in mutually identified areas, on the basis of equality, reciprocity and mutual benefit. It provides opportunities for sharing and emulating best practices and learning from each other, to address public health challenges.

## Annexure

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has signed Agreements / Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) / Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) / Statement of Intent (Sol) with the following 53 countries in health sector

Sl.No	Name of country	Date of signing
1.	Afghanistan	28-08-2005 (Agreement)
2.	Australia	10-04-2017 (MoU)
3.	Austria	17-02-2005 (Agreement)
4.	Bangladesh	12-02-2013 (MoU)
5.	Brazil	05-05-1998 (Agreement)
6.	Brunei	02-02-2016 (MoU)
7.	Bulgaria	28-11-2011 (Agreement)
8.	Burundi	18-09-2012 (MoU)
9.	Cuba	06-12-2017 (MoU)
10.	Cyprus	08-10-2002 (Agreement)
11.	China	03-09-1994 (Agreement)
12.	Colombia	19-01-2010 (Agreement)
13.	Croatia	09-06-2010 (Agreement)
14.	Egypt	18-11-2008 (MoU)
15.	Fiji Islands	10-10-2005 (Agreement)
16.	Germany	01-06-2017 (JDI)
17.	Iran	17-02-2018 (MoU)
18.	Japan	01-09-2014 (MoC)
19.	Jordan	01-03-2018 (MoU)
20.	Hungary	18-01-2008 (Plan of Cooperation)
21.	India-Brazil-South Africa (IBSA)	17-10-2007 (MoU)
22.	Indonesia	11-10-2013 (MoU)
23.	Israel	09-09-2003 (Agreement)
24.	Italy	29-11-2017 (MoU)
25.	Kazakhstan	16-04-2011 (Agreement)
26.	Kuwait	23-04-2012 (MoU)
27.	Latvia	28-02-2012 (Agreement)
28.	Malawi	03-11-2010 (MoU)
29.	Maldives	02-01-2014 (MoU)
30.	Mauritius	12-03-2013 (MoU)
31.	Mongolia	14-09-2009 (Agreement)
32.	Morocco	14-12-2017 (MoU)
33.	Mozambique	22-02-2004 (Agreement)
34.	Myanmar	06-09-2017 (MoU)
35.	Netherlands	30-01-2014 (MoU)
36.	Oman	11-02-2018 (MoU)
37.	Palestine	16-05-2017 (MoU)
38.	Papua New Guinea	29-04-2016 (MoU)

39.	Philippines	05-10-2007 (MoU)
40.	Poland	24-04-2009 (Agreement)
41.	Qatar	05-06-2016 (MoU)
42.	Rwanda	12-11-2010 (MoU)
43.	Saudi Arabia	20-11-2006 (Executive Programme)
44.	Seychelles	10-09-2003 (MoU)
45.	South Africa	04-01-2006 (Agreement)
46.	Swaziland	09-04-2018 (MoU)
47.	Sweden	24-02-2009 (MoU)
48.	Tajikistan	03-09-2012 (Agreement)
49.	Tanzania (Zanzibar)	16-12-2002 (Agreement)
50.	Timor-Leste	07-04-2018 (MoU)
51.	United Kingdom	19-05-2013 (MoU)
52.	Vietnam	03-09-2016 (MoU)
53.	Yemen	09-06-2013 (Agreement)