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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2875 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17TH MARCH, 2023

TRAINING FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS

2875. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to conduct training and workshops for medical students and doctors on the on-going innovations in the field of medicine, new medical methods and medical research etc., in the country and abroad;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (c): Department of Health Research / Indian Council of Medical Research (DHR/ICMR) has funded workshops for Clinical Training/Translational Research in India. Under this program, financial support is provided to various government or private organizations/institutes/medical/dental colleges/NGOs in India for organizing workshops on Clinical Training and Translational research. Workshops on Clinical Training pertains to giving hands-on training for any specific clinical procedures to medical students or young clinicians/scientists/researchers/nurses/medical technicians in the selected/related field of biomedical research. Translational research pertains to workshops on any prominent leads in context to diagnostics, therapeutics, vaccines and interventions from labs which have been tested for efficiency and efficacy and ready to be translated into products for the society.

ICMR also conducts International fellowship programme for Indian biomedical scientists/ researchers to train them in different foreign countries in various areas of medical/health research.

The National Medical Commission (NMC), to keep doctors and other medical professionals abreast with latest innovations, research and developments in the field of medicine, had introduced Continuing Medical Education (CME) Programmes and made mandatory for doctors to attend at least 30 hours of CMEs every five years to get their license renewed. Doctors can earn CME credits through seminars and workshops offered by Medical Institutions in the country. Of late, doctors can even pursue CME from various online CME education providers.

The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) promotes research efforts of academia including promotion of new and emerging technologies in medical devices (including diagnostics,

implants, instrumentation) and their adoption. Through the Biodesign program, DBT provides fellowship to young graduates in medical, engineering and science disciplines to develop affordable medical devices through clinical immersion process.
