GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1379 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.11.2019

Admission in MBBS

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Will the **Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of entrance examination conducted by separate institutions for admission in MBBS in the country at present;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to implement NEET, as the only entrance examination for admission to MBBS course in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has discussed this matter with all the States before its implementation;
- (e) if so, the details of their response along with the number of States who refused to implement this; and
- (f) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) to (f) The information has been collected from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Admission to MBBS course in all the Medical colleges / institutions except All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research (JIPMER) are made through National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET). AIIMS and JIPMER conducts their own entrance exam for admission to MBBS course.

Section 14 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 which received assent of the president on 08th August, 2019 provides for holding of a common and uniform National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) for admission to the undergraduate medical courses in all medical institutions, including those governed under any other law. Thus, the admission to MBBS course in AIIMS and JIPMER will be made through NEET from the academic year 2020-21 onwards. This will ensure a common standard of medical education in the country and the students will not have to appear in multiple exams.
