

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4013
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2021**

RECOGNISION OF MEDICAL DEGREES OF FOREIGN INSTITUTIONS

4013. SHRI M. SELVARAJ:

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

- (a) the current policy of the Government for recognition of graduate and post-graduate medical degrees of foreign countries along with the exemptions, if any, made in this regard and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether a number of Indian students who have graduated from medical institutions abroad have not been awarded registration in India for their failure to qualify the screening test conducted by National Board of Examinations for the purpose; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of students who appeared in the said screening test and the number out of them who succeeded during each of the last three years and the current year?

ANSWER

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

- (a): Section 36 of National Medical Commission (NMC) Act provides for the process to be followed by the National Medical Commission (NMC) for recognition of medical qualification granted by medical institutions outside India. Also, its sub-section (4) provides that all medical qualifications which have been recognized before the date of commencement of NMC Act shall also be recognized medical qualifications for the purposes of this Act. Further, Section 39 & 40 provides for recognition & de-recognition of any medical qualification granted by a medical institution outside India.
- (b): Section 13(4A) of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 prescribes that any Indian student who obtains medical qualification from a country outside India shall have to qualify Screening Test i.e. Foreign Medical Graduate Examination (FMGE) to be enrolled with the State Medical Council.
- (c): The number of students appeared and qualified in the Screening Test in the last three years is as under:-

Session	Appeared	Qualified
June-2018	9274	2480
December-2018	12077	1969
June-2019	12934	2992
December-2019	15663	4444
June-2020	17198	1999
December-2020	18576	3928
Total	85722	17812