

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3355
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH AUGUST, 2016**

DISCUSSION ON GLOBAL HEALTH AGENDA

3355. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government had sent a very small delegation at World Health Assembly (WHA) for discussion of global health agenda, if so, the details thereof; and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the said delegation was unable to participate in parallel negotiations like Framework for Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA) and informal consultations on Child Nutrition Negotiations, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of other proposals and resolutions put forth and supported by the delegation at WHA while representing the country?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)**

- (a): The Indian delegation had been finalized on the basis of day to day agenda, past precedents and with the approval of Prime Minister's Office and Screening Committee of Secretaries.
- (b): No.
- (c): India supported 25 resolutions adopted at the 69th World Health Assembly in Geneva (May 2016):

India introduced and led the negotiations on the resolution (WHA69.23) on the Follow-up of the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination.

In addition, India cosponsored the following four resolutions:

WHA69.2 - Committing to implementation of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health

WHA69.21 - Addressing the burden of mycetoma

WHA69.25 - Addressing the global shortage of medicines and vaccines.

(WHA69.5) WHO global plan of action to strengthen the role of the health system within a national multi-sectoral response to address interpersonal violence, in particular against women and girls, and against children.