

PRIVATE MEMBERS RESOLUTION MOVED BY MR. NARESH KUMAR GUPTA, HON'BLE MEMBER, J&K LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

"This August House recommends that all the doctors serving on Administrative posts in the Health & Medical Education be recalled to serve in the hospitals and the administrative posts be filled from IAS/KAS cadre in the best interest of the general public of the state".

REPLY:

Health is a very specific, focused & technical Department and not like other departments. The technical expertise is required for taking every decision on following issues:-

- 1- Disease Management.
- 2- Disease Surveillance.
- 3- Control of blindness / hearing loss.
- 4- Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme.
- 5- Leprosy.
- 6- Vector borne disease control programme.
- 7- Malaria.
- 8- Procurement of Drugs/equipments specific to different institutions.
- 9- Specifications of need of equipments for different institutions.
- 10- Training need assessment etc.

Across country, these posts are being manned by senior most doctors having administrative experience only. In addition to the above decision, the Principals and the Directorates are further required to decide on health policy, planning and implementation of health programmes which require technical expertise.

Health is a very varied and vast subject which requires technical decision to be taken and also to comprehend the decisions taken in the peripheral levels by different administrators which include

associated hospitals etc. whether it is in SKIMS, Medical Colleges, Dental Colleges, Directorates, Bone & Joint Hospitals, etc.

In both the Medical Colleges of the State viz. Government Medical College, Jammu / Srinagar, two KAS officers are working viz. Personnel Officer (Deputy Secretary Rank) and Administrator (Special Secretary Rank). Besides, the Administrative Officer is also from the administration side (Under Secretary Rank).

Health is very vast subject where decision are to be taken every moment based on the administrative experience, and teaching during studies and therefore the present arrangements should continue and this cannot be replicated by placing IAS/KAS

In view of the above, I request the Hon'ble Member to withdraw the resolution.

Sd/-
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