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Sub: Lok Sabha Admitted Unstarred Question No.4293 for 13.12.2019 regarding “Doctor of Pharmacy.”

Ref: Your e.mail dt.11.12.2019.

Sir

With reference to the subject cited above, the requisite information, in seriatim, is as under –

Question	Answer
(a) whether the degree holders of doctor of pharmacy (Pharma D) are eligible for undertaking clinical trials/clinical research/organized clinical trials in the numerous Government funded Medical and Pharmaceutical institutions with state-of-art facilities and if so, the details thereof;	(a) to (d) 1. The clinical trials / clinical research / organized clinical trails come under the purview of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940. 2. Degree holders of doctor of pharmacy (Pharm.D) are qualified and competent for undertaking clinical trials / clinical research / organized clinical trials as Pharm.D is a clinical oriented course. The Pharm.D course curriculum includes topics like Clinical Pharmacy, Clinical Toxicology, Clinical Research, Clinical Pharmacokinetics & Pharmacotherapeutic Drug Monitoring etc. Further during the course of study students are given extensive onsite bed training in 300 bedded hospital in the form of clerkship (attending ward round on daily basis) and internship which includes posting in speciality units. The students are required to provide clinical pharmacy services to the allotted wards as per following details - i) Six months in General Medicine department, and ii) Two months each in three other speciality departments.
(b) whether such degree holders are also eligible for taking up the job opportunities in the field of clinical trails in private/corporate/autonomous institutions;	
(c) if so whether, any official notification has been issued in this regard and if so, the complete details thereof; and	
(d) if not, the reasons therefor?	

Yours faithfully

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- Alongwith with a Parliament question.

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