



## Belarus calling Indian medicos

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**B**elarus is among the frontline countries in Europe attracting foreign students for tertiary education, and is one of the most preferred destination for foreign students as the cost of education is affordable, said Igor Pilipenko, second secretary, Embassy of Republic of Belarus, New Delhi.

He was speaking to Indian students who got admitted in medical courses in Belarus at an interaction meet in Hyderabad recently, organised by Medico Abroad. He said people of Belarus respect Indians and their culture, and for the second consecutive year, they conducted International Yoga Day there. The Embassy of Belarus in India encourages the inflow of Indian students for pursuing medical education, he said.

Maryna Piatrenka, admission officer, Gomel State Medical University, Belarus, who was also present, said that more than 500 foreign students from 28 countries presently study at the campus, and Indian students are more than 100. She said Gomel State Medical University is popular with foreign students as teaching is completely in En-



**GREENER PASTURES:** | Igor Pilipenko, second secretary, Embassy of Republic of Belarus, New Delhi, and Maryna Piatrenka, admission officer, Gomel State Medical University, explaining about the medical admissions into Belarus, at a meet in Hyderabad.

glish and they engage highly-proficient teachers who qualify in the annual test conducted by their board.

They select teachers having sufficient exposure in international forums, seminars and trained in countries like U.S. and U.K. Separate hostels are provided for foreign students with provision of separate blocks for boys and girls.

V.Rajaram, managing partner, Medico Abroad, said students with minimum 60 per cent marks in physics, chemistry and biology in Intermediate are eligible to apply. The tuition fee can be payable in 12 instalments over the six-year course, and each semester costs approximately Rs. 1.37 lakh. He said the teacher-student ratio is also strictly maintained below 1:10.

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