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Regulatory body for engineers a need

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A spokesman for the Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka (IESL) said last week that the Government should intervene into the activities connected to the engineering field and ensure standards of engineers.

He noted that with the

influx of foreigners who were coming into Sri Lanka with dubious qualifications calling themselves engineers, measures should be taken to check their authenticity.

Activities of non-qualified people styling themselves as engineers pose a major threat to the safety and security of the Sri Lankans, the IESL

spokesman said. No foreign qualified doctor is permitted to practice in the country without the permission of the Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC).

This prevents lot of health hazards to the people.

Likewise, a similar authorised body should be formulated through the intervention

of the Government to regulate the activities of engineers, as well.

He claimed that the IESL was not capable of monitoring the Engineer professionals practising in the country as it was lacking legal and financial power compared to the Sri Lanka Medical Council.