

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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USE OF HOMEOPATHY AND ALTERNATIVE SYSTEM OF MEDICINES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Defence Institute of Physiology and Allied Sciences has recommended the use of homeopathy and alternative system of medicine to combat high altitude injuries like frost bite;
- (b) if so, whether the Government have examined this recommendation;
- (c) if so, whether this suggestion has been implemented by the Government;
- (d) if so, the manner in which the Government propose to procure pure homeopathic medicines for the soldiers; and
- (e) the steps taken to ensure that high quality medicines are used by the medical authorities in such instances?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) to (e): Does not arise.