

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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INCLUSION OF DIABETIC DRUGS UNDER LIFE SAVING DRUGS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to include diabetic drugs under the category of life saving drugs in view of the increasing number of diabetic patients in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (c) : Diabetic Drugs viz Monocomponent insulins, Porcine Insulin Zinc Suspension; and Porcine and Bovine Insulin stand notified as Life Saving Drug under List 4 of Custom Notification No. 21/2002-Cus. Dated 1.3.2002 a&l. Nos. 71, 83 and 85 respectively and are exempted from custom duty.