

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2994
ANSWERED ON:10.08.2000
NON-AVAILABILITY OF MEDICINE FOR RABIES
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government are aware that life saving medicine `rabies immunoglobulin` for rabies is not available for quite some time in the market resulting in great difficulty to rabies patients;

(b): if so, the reasons therefore; and

(c): the steps taken or proposed to be taken to make this life saving medicine available?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS)

(a) to (c) : Yes, Sir. The shortage of some medicines of `Rabies immunoglobulin` used for treatment of rabies was reported by Drug Controller, Delhi for the month of April, 2000. The matter was taken up with the manufacturers to send supply and as confirmed by the Drug Controller, Delhi, there is no shortage of these medicines at present.