

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:60
ANSWERED ON:07.07.2004
SHORTAGE OF MEDICINES AT AIIMS DELHI
Rijju Shri Kiren

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is large scale shortage of medicines at AIIMS as reported in the "Dainik Hindustan" dated June 11, 2004;
- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure adequate supply of drugs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a)to(c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 60 FOR 7TH JULY, 2004

No, Sir. There is no shortage of life saving essential medicines at AIIMS. Such medicines and surgical consumables are procured in sufficient quantity and are issued to all patient care areas. As per existing system of procurement, the Institute has annual rate contract for supply of these items. In accordance with the consumption pattern, supply orders are placed on the firms approved in the rate contract. AIIMS has not reported any problem in regard to payment to the suppliers.