

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

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REVIEW OF FUNCTIONING OF DRUG CONTROL AUTHORITY

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

- (a) whether the prices of drugs are increasing owing to negligence of the Drug Control Authority ;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has reviewed the functioning of the Authority ; and
- (d) if so, the date on which the functioning of the Authority was reviewed alongwith the outcome thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Sir. The central or State Drugs Control Authorities do not exercise any control over fixing of prices of drugs.
- (b) to (d) Question does not arise.