

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

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

- (a) whether the ayurvedic and homoeopathic medicines are effective for the treatment of diseases like AIDS, TB and Malaria in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the World Health Organisation (WHO) has found ineffectiveness of these medicines against such diseases;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether fake ayurvedic and homoeopathic medicines have been detected in the country; and
- (f) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government to ensure quality of such medicines in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a) &(b) The Central Council For Research in Ayurveda and Siddha (CCRAS) has developed a coded formulation (AYUSH) – (QO1 – 2A) for improvement of quality of life in HIV/AIDS patients. The preclinical studies have been completed and it is proposed to initiate clinical trials in the matter in collaboration with Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR). The CCRAS has also developed a formulation i.e. AYUSH - 64 for malaria which is already in the market.

Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) has done clinical research studies for the treatment of AIDS and Malaria and found that homeopathic treatment is effective in these diseases.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise.

(e)&(f). Government has enforced the Drugs & Cosmetics Act 1940 and Rules 1945 there under, throughout the country under which State Drug Licensing Authority of ASU&H drugs are taking action against the Drug manufacturing companies if fake medicine are found in the market.