

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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OPENING OF OUTLETS FOR SELLING MEDICINES IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open outlets in Government hospitals for selling medicines and other products;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to ensure the availability of quality products at affordable rates for patients at these outlets;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) to (d) Health being a state subject, no such information is maintained centrally. However, in so far as the Central Government hospitals located in Delhi namely, Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals are concerned, the space has been earmarked to open outlets in order to make available generic drugs at reasonable and affordable prices.