

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

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

- (a) whether the indented medicines are not supplied to the patients at dispensary level in CGHS Homoeopathic dispensaries like allopathy;
- (b) if so, the time by which the system is likely to be operational;
- (c) whether most of the CGHS Homoeopathic and Ayurvedic dispensaries in Delhi including Homoeopathic dispensary in Kali Bari and Ayurvedic dispensary in Aliganj are facing shortage of doctors and supporting staff since last several months;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken in this direction?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Due to very small number of beneficiaries availing Homoeopathic treatment, local indenting was not resorted to. However, local authorised chemist supplies the indented medicines at the dispensaries.

(c) to (e): The vacancy position in respect of doctors and pharmacists in CGHS, Delhi is as follows:

Sanctioned post	Filled	vacant
Ayurveda doctor	43	30 13
Homoeo. doctor	28	23 5
Ayurveda Pharmacist	34	27 7
Homoeo. Pharmacist	21	20 1

Following steps have been taken to improve the situation:

- (i) Retired Ayurvedic doctors have been appointed on contractual basis till these vacancies are filled up through the UPSC, on regular basis.
- (ii) Appointment orders for contractual appointment against vacancies of Homoeopathic doctors have been issued.
- (iii) Procedure for appointment of Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Pharmacists is in progress.