

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6700  
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SHORTAGE OF MEDICINES  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is shortage of medicines in the Lakshadweep Islands;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Union Government to meet the shortage?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Do not arise, in reply to {a} above.

(c): NPPA monitors the shortage and availability of the medicines in the country as per information made available through State Drugs Control Administration, As per information received therefrom, wherever required, NPPA takes remedial steps for ensuring availability of medicines by impressing upon the manufacturers to rush the stocks to places of shortage.