

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2296  
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MEDICAL ISOTOPES  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the country has been facing huge shortage of the medical isotopes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether due to shortage of these medical isotopes, many hospitals in the country were forced to put off scans and surgeries;
- (d) if so, whether the most affected patients were related to heart, kidney, lungs and cancer due to this shortage; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a): Such information is not compiled/maintained centrally.
- (d) to (e): Do not arise.