

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:266  
ANSWERED ON:12.08.2010  
JAN AUSHADHI OUTLETS  
Bhagora Shri Tarachand

**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the basket of medicines supplied through Jan Aushadhi outlets at present is adequate;
- (b) if not, whether the Government proposes to make available more medicines for Jan Aushadhi outlets especially from the small and medium sector units in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the other steps being taken by the Government to enlarge the basket of medicines supplied to Jan Aushadhi outlets?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI M.K. ALAGIRI)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 266 for 12.08.2010

(a) to (d) The basket of medicines presently being supplied through Jan Aushadhi Stores cover a wide range of Therapeutic Categories such as Analgesic Anti-inflammatory, Antimicrobial, Anti-infective (Topicals), Vitamins, Cardiovascular drugs etc. The basket of Jan Aushadhi medicines is being actively enlarged from the current list of about 230 medicines to 350 medicines. It is considered nearly adequate to take care of the ailments generally suffered by the public. However, in order to meet the other emergency medicines, surgical items etc. as may be required for the patients, stores were authorized to procure and supply such items through a committee headed by Civil Surgeon. Sourcing of items from the private manufacturers of medicines and surgical items etc. to enlarge the basket of supply to the stores including from SMEs will also be explored as may be considered necessary.