

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2199
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SHORTAGE OF MEDICINES IN CGHS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an acute shortage of medicines in the dispensaries of the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) in various States including Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received several reports of irregularities in the purchase and supply of drugs for the beneficiaries of the CGHS till date;
- (d) if so, the details thereof State/UTwise;
- (e) the action taken against the guilty officers/officials;
- (f) whether CGHS beneficiaries receive medicines indented by specialists doctors several days after the date of indent;
- (g) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (h) the remedial action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) No. No such complaint has been received in the last two years.
- (c) to (e) No such complaint has been received.
- (f) to (h) No. After introduction of online indent of medicines, the medicines are made available the next day in almost all cases.