

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

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SUPPLY OF MEDICINES

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

- (a) whether there is shortage or no supply of medicines in Unani dispensaries of Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the price-wise and year-wise details of supply of allopathic, ayurvedic, homoeopathic and unani medicines during each of the last three years and current year in National Capital Region (NCR);
- (d) whether most of the medicines to be availed by the beneficiaries through ayurvedic CGHS dispensaries are struck off;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reason therefor; and
- (f) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): There have been certain difficulties in assuring availability of medicines in CGHS Unani dispensaries in Delhi.

(c): Actual expenditure on procurement of medicines of Allopathic, Ayurvedic, Homeopathic and Unani Systems for the last three years are as under:-

(Rs. in Crore)

2007-08 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11

Allopathic 36.9 58.5 11.9 51.9

Ayurvedic 2.65 3.70 3.45+0.59 3.00

Homeopathic 0.70 0.73 0.92 0.90

Unani 0.50 0.70 0.45 0.50

(d) to (f): No. Medicines are dispensed to the beneficiaries as per the availability of medicines in the stores. Some medicines are also procured by local purchase through Authorised Local Chemists, action has been initiated to streamline the procurement of AYUSH medicines viz. Bulk procurement of medicines through Indian Medicines Pharmaceutical Corporation Ltd. (IMPCL).