

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

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HEALTHCARE FACILITIES TO SENIOR CITIZENS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of normal facilities and additional facilities being provided to senior citizens in health care/treatment by the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) dispensaries and other dispensaries being run by the Union Government in Delhi;
- (b) the number of complaints regarding lack of geriatric healthcare facilities in dispensaries received during last year and the current year till date; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

**Answer**

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

(a): CGHS has been providing comprehensive Health care facilities to senior citizens which includes Out Patient Care facilities, Emergency Services, Home visits, Specialized Consultation & other special treatments, Pathological tests and Radiological Investigations, free supply of drugs, etc. In addition, following exclusive facilities are also made available to senior citizens:-

- (1) Free of cost Preventive Health Check-up
- (2) Separate queue facilities
- (3) Special attention by the Chief Medical Officers In charge of the dispensaries
- (4) Reimbursement of cost of various implants which are required mainly during the old age like stents, hearing aids, intro-ocular lens, artificial joint appliances etc.
- (5) CGHS has started Geriatric Clinic specifically for old age ailments at 2 Wellness Centers in Delhi, namely, Janakpuri and Timarpur. These clinics have facilities for different specialties treatment for senior citizens.
- (6) Pensioner CGHS beneficiaries who are Senior Citizens, are entitled to Cashless facilities at all the empanelled hospitals and laboratories.

(b): No such complaints have been received by CGHS.

(c): In view of (b) above, question does not arise.