

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

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AVAILABILITY OF MEDICINES IN UNANI DISPENSARIES

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

- (a) whether the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) beneficiaries are facing a lot of difficulties in Unani dispensaries regarding availability of medicines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): No. Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) procures Unani Medicines through various sources for its beneficiaries. Most of the Unani medicines are procured from IMPCL, a Government of India undertaking under Department of AYUSH. The medicines are also procured through rate contracts from other manufacturers. In addition, there is also a provision to procure the medicines through Local purchase to ensure their availability to CGHS beneficiaries.