

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has identified certain life saving medicines to be commonly prescribed by the doctors/ hospitals in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether certain instances of death of patients due to shortage of life saving medicines have been reported in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken/ proposed by the Government to meet the demand of life saving medicines as per the demand?

Answer

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

(a)to (e): Health being a state subject, such information is not maintained centrally.

As far as three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. RML Hospital and LMHC & Associated Hospitals are concerned, there is no such identified list of life saving medicines.

However, all life saving and essential medicines are available in these Hospitals. No such incident of death of patients due to shortage of life saving medicines has been reported.