

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5811
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SHORTAGE OF VACCINES
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) the availability of essential medicines in the country at present;
- (b) whether there is shortage of vaccines and there exists a considerable gap between the demand and supply in the expanding vaccine market in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and then reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to import the vaccines to meet the shortage of the vaccines in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to fulfil the requirement of vaccines in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

- (a) to (f) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.