

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

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AYURVEDIC TREATMENT FOR SWINE FLU

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

- (a) whether several experts have claimed to cure Swine Flu through Ayurvedic treatment in the country;
- (b) if so, the facts in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to verify these claims of the experts;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the assistance provided or proposed to be provided by the Government to Ayurvedic system of medicine in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) Swine-flu is a recently reported condition caused by a new strain of the virus (H1N1 virus) and as such, no research study has been taken up by the Research Councils to determine the efficacy of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha & Homoeopathy in tackling this disease. Though, Ayurveda has a positive role in prevention of Swine flu, no scientific data is available to justify the claim of successfully treating Swine-flu till date.