

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

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- (a) whether there is shortage of pharmacists in Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Unani System, if so, the details thereof indicating the CGHS Unani Wellness Centres where there are no regular pharmacists, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note of undue delay in the supply of Indented/Local Purchase medicines of CGHS Unani centres, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the remedial steps taken/being taken by the Government to remove the said deficiencies?

Answer

(a): The details of shortage of Unani pharmacists in Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Wellness Centres are as under:

Delhi
South Avenue - One
Sarojini Nagar - Two
Naraina - One
Hyderabad
Charminar - One
Lucknow
Rajajipuram - Two

(b): Action has already been initiated for recruitment of Unani pharmacists by Addl. Directors of the concerned cities.

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(c): It has been reported that at times there is some delay in procurement of indented / local purchase of Unani medicines due to following reasons:

- (1) Indents are submitted manually through Unani Medical Store Depot in Delhi
- (2) There is only one Authorized Local Chemist for supply of indented Unani Medicines in Delhi and NCR
- (3) There are no Authorized Local Chemists for Supply of Unani medicines in Lucknow and Hyderabad. Additional Directors procure indented medicines locally.
- (4) Local Chemist at times face difficulty in procuring the indented medicines thereby delaying the whole process.

(d):

â€¢ The process of recruitment of Unani pharmacists has already been initiated to enable the indents to be placed online to the Authorized Local Chemist in Delhi and NCR.

â€¢ Changes have been made in the terms and conditions of the tender document for Authorized Local Chemists in order to attract more participants.