GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2991 ANSWERED ON:07.08.2015 Medicine for Leucoderma Galla Shri Jayadev

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether DRDO has developed medicine for leucoderma;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether commercial production of the said medicine has been started and available in the market;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there are any plans to export this drug to other countries; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

- (a) Yes, Madam. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed a poly-herbal medicine for treatment of leucoderma.
- (b) The poly-herbal formulation comprises ointment and oral dose as per the details given below:-

Ointment: It is a poly-herbal formulation for external use only. It has seven ingredients of plants having properties, such as, skin photo sensitizer, anti-blister, anti-irritation, anti-septic, wound healing and copper supplementing properties.

Oral Dose: The oral dose has been formulated to check the emergent of new spots. It contains five unique Himalayan herbs having properties of furano-coumarins viz; Central Nervous Stimulating (CNS) activity, removes skin disorder of parasitic origin, liver restorer which gradually improves the auto immune system and is rich in Dihydroxy Phenylalanine (DOPA), which make up for the deficiency of copper and DOPA.

- (c) & (d): The technology of herbal product in the form of ointment and liquid oral preparation has already been transferred to M/s AIMIL Pharmaceutical (India) Private Limited, New Delhi for commercial production and marketing. The product has been launched by the Company by the trade name of "LUKOSKIN" and available in the market.
- (e) & (f): No, Madam. Presently, DRDO has no plan to export this drug as it is to access first past commercial efficacy of this medicine in the country.
