

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1141  
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REVIEW OF FUNCTIONING OF CGHS  
Kurup Adv. Suresh

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

- (a) whether the P.K. Paul Committee to review the functioning of CGHS has submitted its recommendations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon ;
- (c) if not, the time by which the report is likely to be submitted ; and
- (d) the interim measures the Government has taken to improve the functioning of CGHS, particularly relating to procurement of medicines?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

- (a) No, Sir.
  - (b) The question does not arise.
  - (c) The Committee will submit its recommendations once deliberations are over.
  - (d) Improvement of various services provided in the CGHS dispensaries is an ongoing process. There is an inbuilt mechanism to improve the functioning of CGHS dispensaries by way of inspection, supervision and guidance by Senior Officers of CGHS.
- The Govt. has already approved the combined formulary for the MSO/CGHS in respect of 504 proprietary drugs. Action to procure medicines for the CGHS as per the formulary has been initiated. As a result, availability of drugs in CGHS dispensaries has improved further.