

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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GOLDEN TRIANGLE PROJECT

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

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to introduce the Golden Triangle Project for bringing change in the medicine system as reported in the Rashtriya Sahara dated September 24, 2005;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether financial assistance will be provided to the farmers for cultivating medicinal plants with a view to set up medicine processing zone;

(d) if so, whether hospitals with such a system of medicine are likely to be set up in the States; and

(e) if so, the details of the funds likely to be spent for the purpose?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) No, Sir. The Golden Triangle Partnership (GTP) is not intended for bringing change in the medicine system. The GTP concept is aimed to set up an integrated technology mission for the development of Ayurveda and traditional medical knowledge based on synchronized working of modern medicine, traditional medicine and science with a special budgetary support. Under this Scheme, three organizations namely Department of AYUSH/CCRAS, CSIR & ICMR would work together to undertake scientific validation and development of safe, effective and standardized classical Ayurvedic, Siddha & Unani products for the identified disease conditions of national/global importance

(c) & (d) No such provision has been made in this Scheme.

(e) Does not arise.