

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

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MEDICINES AT AFFORDABLE RATES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Hemophilia is a dreadful disease which requires life long treatment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are any proposals under the consideration of the Government to provide medicines at affordable rates to patients in the Government hospitals;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the said proposals are likely to be implemented?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : Haemophilia is a commonest coagulation disorder where females are carriers and males are sufferers. The treatment of such disease is undertaken by transfusion of blood and blood components and administration of coagulation factor concentrates. So far as the Central Government hospitals are concerned, coagulation factor and blood transfusion are provided to such indoor patients free of cost.