

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1163  
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INDIGENOUS MANUFACTURE OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether medical equipment both for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes are being imported resulting in high cost to patients;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken a policy decision to encourage indigenous manufacture of medical equipment to bring down the cost; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which this policy is likely to be announced?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

- (a) to (c): The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.