

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2824  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018**

**QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR CGHS DRUGS**

**2824. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is an urgent need to put in place an efficient mechanism of quality assurance of the drugs supplied through (CGHS);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) & (b): Quality assurance mechanism is already in place for Drugs supplied under CGHS. Drugs procured under CGHS are pre-tested for quality by National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) before supply of medicines is accepted. Random testing of samples is also done at Government accredited laboratories by CGHS.

(c): Does not arise.

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