

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1084  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023**

**SHORTAGE OF TUBERCULOSIS DRUGS**

**1084 SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:**

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

- (a) whether Government has received any complaints with regard to the shortage of tuberculosis drugs including Linezolid, Clofazimine, Cycloserine, Rifampicin, etc;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon;
- (c) the details of the stock of tuberculosis drugs with Government, including the time period until which they could last, drug-wise; and
- (d) the details of the demand and disbursement of tuberculosis drugs to State Governments, State-wise, drug-wise, month-wise for the last five years?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

- (a) to (d) :
- There has not been any shortage of anti-tuberculosis drugs. There has been regular supply of Anti-TB drugs to all the State/UTs from the central level under the National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP) throughout the year and regular assessments are conducted to evaluate the stock positions at various levels, from central warehouses to peripheral health institutes. Further, State/UTs have been provisioned with resources for local procurement for limited quantities as and when required to meet the emergent requirements.
  - The details of stock positions of anti-tuberculosis drugs are placed at **Annexure-I**.
  - The year-wise details for demand and disbursement of tuberculosis drugs from the year 2019 to 2023, as per Indent and Release Orders is placed at <https://tbcindia.gov.in/showfile.php?lid=3721>

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## Annexure-I

| <b>Stock of Anti TB Drugs as on 06-12-2023</b> |                              |  |
|--|------------------------------|--|
| <b>Drug Name</b>                               | <b>Total Stock available</b> | <b>Stocks will last (approx. months)</b> |
| Tab. 2FDC (P) (H50 & R75)                      | 18078984                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab.3FDC CP (A) (H75,R150 & E275)              | 159287016                    | For 4 months                             |
| Tab 3FDC(P) (H50, R75, Z150)                   | 17889844                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. 4FDC(A) (H75, R150, Z400 & E275)          | 94250072                     | For 4 months                             |
| Tab. Bedaquiline (BDQ)-L                       | 9835849                      | More than 6 months                       |
| Cap. Clofazimine 100mg                         | 7901607                      | More than 6 months                       |
| Cap. Clofazimine 50mg                          | 129405                       | More than 6 months                       |
| Cap. Cycloserine 250mg                         | 12591104                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Delamanid 50mg                            | 3688946                      | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Ethambutol 100mg                          | 40895959                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Ethambutol 800mg                          | 2759910                      | For 3 months                             |
| Tab. Ethionamide 250mg                         | 15096309                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Moxifloxacin 400mg                        | 25720793                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Isoniazid 300mg                           | 43951761                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Levofloxacin 250mg                        | 10770158                     | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Levofloxacin 500mg                        | 9862422                      | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab Linezolid 600mg                            | 4190760                      | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Pyrazinamide 500mg                        | 6262558                      | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Pyrazinamide 750mg                        | 5862684                      | More than 6 months                       |
| Tab. Pyridoxine 100mg                          | 20060750                     | More than 6 months                       |

Source: Ni-Kshay Aushadhi