GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1783

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25^{TH} NOVEMBER, 2016

SHORTAGE OF LIFE SAVING DRUGS

1783. DR. BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is shortage of supply of essential life saving drugs related to diabetes, cardio vascular disease, nephrology, cancer etc. in military hospital, Patiala and Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) polyclinic, Patiala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government has banned branded and research based drugs in military hospitals and ECHS polyclinics, across the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

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(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

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- (a) to (c): There is no shortage of supply of essential life saving drugs related to diabetes, cardio vascular diseases, nephrology, cancer etc. in Military Hospital Patiala and Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) Polyclinic Patiala. Adequate funds have been allotted to Military Hospital Patiala for procurement and provisioning of essential medicines for the serving soldiers and their dependents as well as for ECHS, Patiala.
- (d) & (e): There is no ban on supply of branded and research based medicines to Military Hospitals and ECHS Polyclinics across the country.
