# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESEARCH LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4034 TO BE ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2016

### **INSULIN INJECTIONS**

### **4034. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has developed an alternative to insulin injection for the use of diabetic patients;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and other alternatives along with the time by which these will be made available in the market; and
- (c) various steps taken to reduce the cases of diabetes in the country?

## ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (c): As informed by Indian Council of Medical Research and Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, there is no information regarding development of an alternative to insulin injection for use of diabetic patients.

The Government has launched National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) which is implemented with focus on awareness generation for behaviour and life-style changes, screening and early diagnosis of persons with high level of risk factors and their treatment. Under NPCDCS, diagnosis and treatment facilities for Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) are provided through different levels of healthcare by setting up NCD Clinics in District Hospitals and Community Health Centres. States are also supported for Health Systems strengthening as per guidelines of National Health Mission.