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DEFENCE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2226
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH DECEMBER, 2015**

MEDICINES DEVELOPED BY DRDO

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a lot of innovative medicines and medical kits / equipments developed and designed by DRDO / DRDE are not being brought out in the open market;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(a) to (c): The following are medicines developed by Defence Research and Development Establishment (DRDE), a Gwalior based laboratory of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO):-

- **Lucoskin** a polyherbal medicine for treatment of Leucoderma is already available in the market.
- **Monoisoamyl dimercaptosuccinic acid (miDMSA)** has been developed as a treatment for chronic arsenic poisoning.
- **2-dexiglucose (2-DG)** has been developed as radio-modifier and cancer therapy. Phase-I trial has been completed.

Apart from the above, medicines and medical kits / equipments specific for Services for use during Nuclear, Biological & Chemical (NBC) warfare scenario have been developed. Therefore, these have not been brought out in the open market.
