

(c) the other measures proposed to be taken to make the manufacture and sale of spurious drugs impossible?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Action against Manufacturers of spurious and adulterated drugs

2161. SHRI MD. HAYAT ALI:
SHRI R. KOLANTHAIVELU:

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

(a) names of the pharmaceutical companies (local and foreign owned) against whom action for manufacturing or selling of the spurious, adulterated and sub-standard drugs have been taken during the period from March 1977 till to-date;

(b) nature of action taken and the penalty imposed on each firm;

(c) whether Government are considering the proposal to eliminate the domination of foreign owned companies in drug industry; and

(d) if so, the measures Govt. proposes to take in meeting the requirement of drugs (in quantity and quality) likely to be affected in eliminating the foreign-owned drug companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) and (d). This concerns the Minister of Chemicals and Fertiliser and a separate question may please be tabled in his name.

Amendment of Pharmacy Act and Pharmacy (Amendment) Act, 1976

2162. DR. BAPU KALDATY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to amend the Pharmacy Act, 1948, and the Pharmacy (Amendment) Act 1976 for registering the persons practising pharmacy profession since 1947; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Total production of zinc plates from the Union Carbide (West Bengal) and Agarwal Metal Works (Haryana-Rewari)

2163. DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of zinc plates by the Union Carbide (West Bengal) and Agarwal Metal Works (Haryana-Rewari) and the need of the zinc sheets/plates per month for industries and for block making;

(b) whether the above two industries have reduced production during the last few months; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) The total production of zinc plates by M/s. Union Carbide India Ltd., Calcutta, West Bengal and M/s. Agrawal Metal Works Private Ltd., Rewari,