

Report of V B I C P on Bulk Drugs

Statement

4060. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR :

SHRI ANWAR AHMAD : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the bulk drugs for which Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices had not sent the report to his Ministry;

(b) when Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices wrote to the manufacturers for the first time and why the reports have not been sent so far;

(c) whether it is a fact that several cases were not pursued by the B I C P and this has helped certain multinational companies;

(d) the time taken by B I C P in finalising their report and in sending the same to Government; and

(e) whether it is a fact that the prices of Betamethasone and its salts have not been fixed and the issue is lying with B I C P since last four years and Glaxo is making huge profits; if so, the reasons for delay ?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) to (d) The names of indigenously produced bulk drugs for which the Bureau of Industrial Costs & Prices are yet to send their report recommending revision/fixation of prices after the commencement of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979 are given in the attached Statement. Bureau of Industrial Costs & Prices have been taking up the question of securing cost and other relevant details from the manufacturers of the drugs in question from time to time. The time taken by the Bureau of Industrial Costs & Prices in finalising its study depends upon the furnishing of complete details by the manufacturers.

(e) No, Sir. The prices of Betamethasone and its derivatives were reduced under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979 on 12.5.1981. The company, however, filed a Writ Petition in the Delhi High Court and obtained the stay against reduction in prices. The matter is therefore, subjudice.

1. Perthussis Toxoid
2. Diphtheria Toxoid
3. Tetanus Toxoid
4. Paracetamol
5. Pyrantel Pamoate
6. Furazolidone
7. Aminophylline/Theophylline
8. Terputaline
9. Gentamyein
10. Neomycine
11. Vincristine/Vinblastine
12. Diphenyl Hydantoin
13. Halopyramine
14. Clofazimine
15. Di-Chloro-Meta-Xylenol
16. Ferrous Fumerate
17. Ferrous Sulphate
18. Methanamine Mandelate
19. Diphenoxylate Hcl.
20. Guaiacol Glyceryl Ether

Import of Cephalixin and Cephaldorlac by
M/s. Glaxo Ltd.

4061. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Cephalixin and Gephaldorine are being imported at high prices;

(b) the prices at which Glaxo is selling the formulations based on these two drugs;

(c) when were these prices approved and how Glaxo is overcharging the prices;