

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1835
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2000
NATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL PRICING AUTHORITY
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority has revised upwards the prices of certain bulk drugs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of times the prices of bulk drugs have been revised upward during the last three years;
- (d) the extent to which the retail prices of these drugs have been increased in the market;
- (e) whether the prices of some important drugs v iz. Dextropropoxyphene and Mefenamic have been fixed and included in the the controlled drugs list;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefore.

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Since inception of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority on 29.8.1997, till date the prices of 20 scheduled bulk drugs and their 9 derivatives have been revised upward. The details are given in the Annexure.

(d): Statutory price of bulk drug fixed under Para `3` of DPCO`95 is the maximum sale price and at no point can the drug be sold at a price higher than the price so fixed.

(e) to (g): The price of Dextropropoxyphene, which is a scheduled bulk drug was fixed on 4.6.99. Mefenamic Acid was originally included in the Scheduled-I of DPCO`95 but omitted vide Gazette Notification No.501 dated 2.9.97.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT SHOWING BULK DRUGS PRICES NOTIFIED BY NAPPS SINCE INCEPTION AND TILL 29.2.2000.

S.NO. NAME OF THE BULK DRUG/UNIT CURRENT PRICE
DERIVATIVES. (RS.) DATE

1. Pheneramine Maleate	Kg.	952.00	119E/10.2.98
2. Vitamins B1 HCL	Kg.	1418.00	1102E/23.12.98
2(a) Vitamin B1 Mononitrate	Kg.	1160.00	1102E/23.12.98
3. Rifampicin	Kg.	4885.00	108E/12.2.99
4. Nalidixic Acid	Kg.	2947.00	799E/10.98.98
5. Iodochlorohydroxyquinonline	Kg.	740.00	800E/10.9.98
6. Dexamethasone	Kg.	118.00	904E/14.10.98
6(a) Dexamethasone Disod.Phosphate	Gm.	139.00	904E/14.10.98
7 Analgin (Metamizole)	Gm.	378.00	1103E/23.12.98

8. Aspirin	Kg.	115.00		109E/12/2/99	
9. Theophylline	Kg.	499.00		107E/12.2.99	
9(a) Aminophylline	Kg.	419.00		1007E/4.10.99	
9(b) Hydroxy Ethyl Theophylline	Kg.	650.00		1008E/4.10.99	
10. Ranitidine	Kg.	1255.00		205E/31.3.99	
11. Demethyl Chlortetracycline	Kg.	4559.00		206E/31.3.99	
(Tetracycline)					
12. Dextropropoxyphene Hcl	Kg.	3891.00		418E/4.6.99	
13. Sulphamoxole	Kg.	637.00		680E/4.6.99	
14. Pendsdoxyphylline	Kg.	2453.00		679E/24.8.99	
15. Oxytetracycline Hcl	Kg.	1100.00		690E/30.8.99	
15(a) Oxytetracycline Amphoteric	Kg.	1560.00		691E/30.8.99	
16. Prednisolone	Kg.	59000.00		1006E/4.10.99	
17. Vitamin A Acetate(Dry Powder)	0.5		4166.00		1054E/27.10.99
MIU/Gm					
17(a) Vitamin A Acetate(Oily	1.0	3136.00			1054E/27.10.99
Liquid) MIU/Gm					
17(b) Vitamin A Palaminate (Oily	1.0/1.7	3178.00			1054E/27.10.99
Liquid) MIU/Gm					
18. Betamethasone Alcohol	GM	224.00		107E/7.2.2000	
18(a) Betamethasone Valerate	GM	212.00		107E/7.2.2000	
18(b) Betamethasone Phosphate	GM	185.00		107E/7.2.2000	
19. Lynestranol	Kg.	79044.00		108E/7.2.2000	
20. Ephedrine Hcl	Kg.	1431.00		109E/7.2.2000	

Note: (a) and (b) denote derivatives of the parent bulk drug.