

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:440

ANSWERED ON:17.04.2001

NEW DRUG POLICY

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

- (a) whether the New Drug Policy is being proposed by the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the new policy;
- (c) whether a committee set up by the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals to review the Drug Price Control Order has submitted its report;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the extent to which the recommendations made by the said Committee are being considered for the New Drug Policy;
- (f) whether the Government have consulted the State Governments in this regard; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO PARTS (a) to (g) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 440 FOR ANSWER ON THE 17TH APRIL, 2001.

The Committee set up to review the present price control mechanism with a view to reducing the rigours of price control, where they had become counter productive, has since submitted its report suggesting measures in that direction. Any change in the Drug Policy will take into consideration all relevant factors including the recommendations of the Committee.