

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6244
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DRUGS AND PHARMA INDUSTRIES IN PUBLIC SECTOR
ANANTA NAYAK

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

- (a) the number of Drugs and Pharmaceutical plants set up in the public sector, location-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government have a proposal to expand some of these units during the Tenth Plan;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the efforts made during the Ninth Plan to promote the drugs and pharmaceutical industries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHHATTRA PAL SINGH)

- (a) There are nine plants of five Central Public Sector Enterprises located in the states of West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) The modification in Drug policy 1986, announced in September 1994 is directed towards creating an environment conducive to channalising new investment into the pharmaceutical industry to encourage cost-effective production, introducing new technologies/new drugs and strengthening the indigenous capability for production of drugs.