

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

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SETTING UP OF INDIAN PHARMACOPOEIA COMMISSION  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to set up an Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC);
- (b) if so, its composition and the financial support proposed to be provided by the Government for its proper operational activities; and
- (c) the precise functions of the proposed Commission ?

**Answer**

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

(a) to(c): The setting up of Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) is under consideration for which financial support is proposed to be provided under the Capacity Building Project through World Bank assistance.

The Pharmacopoeia Commission would be required to undertake revision of India Pharmacopoeia on a continuous basis and issue addendum and supplements regularly. It would also undertake the job of preparation of reference standards for the drugs marketed in the country and for making them readily available to the large number of drugs testing laboratories and drug manufacturing firms in the country.