

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

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REVIVAL OF HINDUSTAN ANTIBIOTICS LIMITED
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to revive the Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, unit-wise;
- (c) whether the penicillin manufacturing company of Pune have sent revival package to the Government;
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (e) whether the proposal of Mumbai-based Sun Pharmaceutical to take over the company stands shelved and proceedings of BIFR halted; and
- (f) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to stop dumping of cheap penicillin by foreign countries including China in the Indian market?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (Shri K. Rahman Khan)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Government has announced in the Budget 2004-05 that Hindustan Antibiotics Limited (HAL) will be given financial support for restructuring.

(c) to (e): HAL, Pimpri, Pune is a Sick Public Sector Company referred to the Bureau of Industrial Finance and Reconstruction (BIFR). Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI), Mumbai who has been appointed as the Operating Agency by BIFR held a joint meeting on April 30, 2004 with all concerned to consider the revival scheme submitted by HAL and M/s. Sun Pharmaceuticals Industries Limited (SPIL). During the meeting, OA (IDBI) has rejected the proposal from SPIL and have asked HAL to submit a revised revival proposal. HAL has submitted the proposal which necessitates infusion of funds by the Government.

(f) The Director General Anti-dumping (DGAD) has not received any fully documented application from the Domestic Industry requesting for initiation of Anti-dumping investigation on the imports of penicillin from People's Republic of China.