

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

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SETTING UP OF NIPERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of places where the National institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) are located;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up more NIPERS in various parts of the country in the near future;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said Institutes are likely to be set up; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to overcome the shortage of manpower in the pharmaceutical sector?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

- (a) The National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), declared an Institute of National Importance under the NIPER Act, 1998 is located at SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab. The Union Cabinet has also given `in principle` approval for setting up 6 new NIPERs. These are presently functioning with the support of Mentor Institutes at Ahmedabad (Gujarat), Hajipur (Bihar), Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), Guwahati (Assam)/ Kolkata (West Bengal) and Rae Bareli (Uttar Pradesh).
- (b) & (c) Proposal for setting up a NIPER at Madurai stands referred to Planning Commission for `in principle` approval. The Govt. of Tamil Nadu has agreed to provide the requisite land free of cost at Madurai for setting up the Institute;
- (d) The prime objective of setting up the new NIPERs in addition to the NIPER set up in SAS Nagar, (Mohali) is to overcome the shortage of manpower in the Pharmaceutical sector.