

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

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DIFFERENCE IN SELLING PRICE OF MEDICINES
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is huge difference in selling price of branded medicines as compared to non-branded generic versions of drugs /medicines which are being available and sold by Jan Aushadi Stores (JAS) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the price difference between branded medicines in the open market as compared to non-branded generic versions of drugs/medicines sold by Jan Aushadi Stores (JAS) in different parts of the country alongwith total number of drugs and formulations under price control order and without price control?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. Comparative price of some unbranded quality generic medicines sold at Jan Aushadi Outlets vis-a-vis average market price of these medicines are as follows:-

Prices in Rs.

Name of Salt	Dosage	Pack	Market Price	Jan Aushadi Price
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Tab. Ciprofloxacin	250 mg	10	55.00	11.10
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Tab. Ciprofloxacin	500mg	10	97.00	21.50
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Tab. Diclofenac	100mg	10	36.70	3.35
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Tab. Cetrizine	10mg	10	20.00	2.75
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Tab. Paracetamol	500mg	10	10.00	2.45
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Tab. Nimesulide	100mg	10	25.00	2.70
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Cough Syrup	110ml	Liquid	33.00	13.30
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Presently there are seventy four bulk drugs as specified in the 1st Schedule of Drugs (Price Control) Order, 1995 and the formulations based on them are under Price Control under the provisions of the said order.