GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS LOK SABHA

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

(a) whether any evaluation of the development of pharmaceutical manufacturing industry in the country has been made by the Government;

(b) if so, the latest status, the method and the basis on which such evaluation is made;

(c) the total contribution of pharmaceutical industry in the Gross Domestic Product of the country during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) whether the Government has made any study regarding obstacles in the way of self -sufficiency in the Pharma manufacturing sector;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard;

(f) whether the Government has decided to bring out a white paper for making the country a Centre of Research and Development in the field of pharma manufacturing by the year 2020;and

(g)if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be brought out?

Answer

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

(a) &(b): While there has been no formal evaluation regarding the Development of pharmaceutical manufacturing industries in the country in the recent past by this Department, periodic interaction and review provides information regarding the development of the Pharma manufacturing industries in the country and its problems.

(c): The total contribution of chemicals and chemicals products (which includes Pharmaceuticals) in the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) during the last three years is as follow:

(Rs. in crores-Current price)

Year Chemicals & Chemicals GDP products

2006-07 75137 3941865

2007-08 82524 4540987

2008-09 96996 5228650

(d)&(e): Government from time to time identifies and reviews problems hindering the Pharma manufacturing sector. Based on such information and interaction with industry, specific schemes are drawn up for assisting the industries with regard to meeting such obstacles. Recently example is the Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme in collaboration with the Department of Micro Small Medium Enterprises or assisting small scale units for meeting the mandatory requirement of Schedule `NT Drugs and Cosmetics Acts. Other such schemes include schemes for assistance for Testing Labs, WHO-GMP Compliance for Central Pharma Units, assistance to manufacturers through the Intellectual Property Cell set up by this Department through Pharmaceutical Export Promotion Council

(Pharmexcil), and such others.

(f) & (g):No such white paper for making the country a Centre of Research and Development in the field of Pharma manufacturing by the year 2020 has been formally brought out. However, the Department has prepared a 'Pharma Vision 2020' for making India one of the leading destinations for end-to-end drug discovery & innovation and for that purpose provides requisite support by way of world class infrastructure, internationally competitive scientific man-power for Pharma Research and Development, Venture Fund for research in the public and private domain and such other measures. The paper envisages the programme in public-private partnership with 2020 as the terminal year of the programme.