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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a Venture capital fund for supporting the drug discovery and research infrastructure;
- (b) the present situation in respect of drugs discovery and research in our country vis-a-vis other countries;
- (c) whether the proposed fund will be in the public private-partnership model; and
- (d) if so, the amount involved thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The Department of Pharmaceutical (DoP) is in the process of examining a proposal to set up a Venture Fund for promoting Pharma drug discovery and innovation. Details including size etc. are being worked out with the help of National Institute of Public Finance and Policy.