

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

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AVAILABILITY OF LIFE SAVING DRUGS  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has implemented the recommendations of the task force constituted for the availability of life saving drugs at reasonable cost;
- (b) if so, the extent to which the said recommendations have been implemented so far;and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): The Task Force set up by Government to explore options other than Price Control for achieving the objective of making available life saving drugs at reasonable level recommended that in the long run both the functions of drug regulation & price control should be performed by the same agency and there should be an integrated regulatory system. Suitable recommendations on these issues have been included in the Draft National. Pharmaceuticals Policy, 2006.