

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

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ASSISTANCE BY NIPER TO SMALL AND MEDIUM SCALE PHARMA INDUSTRY

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

(a): Whether the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Mohali, Punjab is providing its services, assistance, projects, advisory consultation to help small and medium scale pharma industry in their pursuit to develop low cost technologies in order to provide quality medicines at affordable prices to the public;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount of funds allocated by the Government to NIPER to meet the requirement of reengineering off patent drugs, use of green chemistry to reduce environmental problems, enhancing technical capabilities in manufacturing and analytical methods, educational training to meet the challenges of new regulations under the Drug and Cosmetic Act during each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), SAS Nagar, Mohali established a Small and Medium Pharmaceutical Industry Centre (SMPIC) on 23-02-2009. The Centre has organized 5 training programs on Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) / Good Laboratory Practices (GLP) for Drugs and Pharmaceuticals for Small & Medium Enterprises (SME) Pharma companies. Apart from these training programs, SMPIC is continuously imparting hands-on practical training on the essential analytical instruments like HPLC, GC, AAS to the analytical staff from SME Pharma and as on date 203 persons have been trained.

(c): No separate funds have been allocated.