

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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WORLD DRUG REPORT
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to the `World Drug Report` 50% of the world`s heroine is produced in India;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is planning to take action on the production of these drugs on such a large scale; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not the reason therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

- (a) No. According to the World Drug Report 2011, only 3% of the actual global heroin production in 2009 was from India.
- (b) & (c) Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985 provides for stringent punishment for various kinds of offences including manufacturing and trafficking of heroin. Several enforcement agencies of the Central and State Governments are empowered to take action under this Act. These agencies have been undertaking enforcement measures including busting of clandestine laboratories set up for manufacture of heroin and prosecuting the persons involved in such illicit heroin production.