

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

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SHORTAGE OF SKILLED MANPOWER
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a huge shortage of skilled manpower in the Pharmaceutical sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) (b) &(c) No, Madam. Considering, however, the increased requirement of trained/skilled manpower, Government has set up six new National Institutes of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPERs) at Hajipur (Bihar), Gandhinagar (Gujarat), Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), Kolkata (West Bengal), Rae Bareli (Uttar Pradesh) and Guwahati (Assam). These new NIPERs are in addition to the NIPER set up at NIPER, Mohali.