

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:384

ANSWERED ON:06.09.2012

PRICING OF PATENTED DRUGS

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

- (a) whether an Inter-Ministerial Group assigned with the task of regulating the prices of patented drugs has suggested the use of a per capita income associated reference pricing method;
- (b) if so, the facts and the justification thereof and the benefits likely to be accrued by introduction of this scheme;
- (c) whether the above formula has not been able to find favour with the pharmaceutical industry;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

- (a): No, Sir. No Inter-Ministerial Group has been assigned with the task of regulating the prices of Patented Drugs.
- (b) to (e): In view of the reply to (a) above, does not arise.