

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

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ACQUISITION OF DRUG MANUFACTURING UNITS  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of local drug manufacturing units acquired by the foreign companies since 2006, till date, along with the names and the details thereof;
- (b) the number of domestic pharmaceutical companies presently operating in the country;and
- (c) the number of domestic pharmaceutical companies that have received financial assistance from the Government for Research and Development(R&D) purposes during the said period?

**Answer**

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

(a) Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Pharmaceuticals Sector was under automatic route prior to November 2011. Thereafter, Foreign Investment and Promotion Board (FIPB) has granted approval for 100% FDI by foreign companies in following 10 pharmaceutical units:

Sl.No. Name of the domestic Pharmaceuticals manufacturing units

1 Ordain Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. Chennai

2 Edict Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., Chennai

3 Arvee Synthesis Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore

4 Cosme Farma Laboratories, Goa

5 Cosme Pharma Ltd., Goa

6 Cosme Remedies Ltd., Goa

7 & 8 Two units of Orchid Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Chennai

9 One unit of SMS Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Hyderabad

10 One unit of M/s Vivin Lifesciences

(b) There are approximately 10563 pharmaceuticals units registered in various parts of the country.

(c) As per the information provided by the Department of Science and Technology 60 domestic Pharma companies received financial assistance for R&D under Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Research Program (DPRP) scheme of Department of Science and Technology.