

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

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PROCUREMENT OF MEDICINES BY PUBLIC SECTOR COMPANIES

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

(a) whether the Public Sector Companies and insurance companies procure only 21 per cent medicines in the country at the lower rates in comparison to the rates at which these medicines are bought by the common man;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether the Government gives priority to bring down the prices of medicines to be sold to Public Sector Companies and the insurance companies in the country; and

(d) if so, the facts in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): No such information is maintained in the Department of Pharmaceuticals.

(c) & (d): No such orders / instructions have been issued by Department of Pharmaceuticals.