

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1366  
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TURNOVER OF DRUG COMPANIES  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the names of drug companies which do not have their own manufacturing unit and their turnover;
- (b) the value and quantity of imported finished medicines that are allowed to be imported by the Drug Controller General of India and those being manufactured indigenously and available at low prices during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the number of meetings that have taken place and the issues discussed by the Inter Ministerial Groups which are formed as per 45th Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health; and
- (d) the reaction of the Government on the outcome of the meetings?

**Answer**

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

- (a) The drug manufacturing license is given by the State Drug Controller and this Department does not monitor this data.
- (b) As per the Foreign Trade Policy most of the drugs are freely imported. The import license is given by the Drug Controller General of India and this Department does not monitor this data.
- (c)&(d) No Inter Ministerial Committee was formed as per the recommendations of the 45th Report of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health. However, a High Powered Inter-Ministerial Coordination Committee formed by the Department of Pharmaceuticals under the Chairmanship of Secretary(Pharmaceuticals) to look into the matters of implementation of Government commitment to provide quality medicines at affordable prices has finalized its recommendations. The various recommendations of the Committee pertaining to the pricing and quality aspects of medicines have been referred to the concerned Ministries/Departments/Organizations for taking necessary action.