

S. No.	Name of the Company
22.	M/s. Organon (I) Limited
23.	M/s. Hoechst Pharmaceuticals Limited
24.	M/s. Wyeth Laboratories
25.	M/s. Burrough's Wellcome (I) Limited
26.	M/s. Sahrid Geigy of India Limited
27.	M/s. Parke Davis India Limited
28.	M/s. Mitha Pharmaceuticals
29.	M/s. Bayer (I) Limited
30.	M s. May & Baker India Limited.

Short Supply of Life-saving Drugs

*111. SHRI K. A. RAJAN:

SHRI C. CHINNASWAMY:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the life saving drugs are in short supply in the metropolitan cities of Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras;

(b) if so, the names of drugs in short supply and reasons therefor; and

(c) steps taken by Government in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Shortages of specific brand formulations have been periodically reported from different areas including the metropolitan cities of Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras.

(b) The major specific brand formulations reported in short supply from some of the above mentioned metropolitan cities during October, 1980 are as follows:—

(1) Chloromycetine Capsules/syrup	Parke Davis
(2) Chlorestrep capsules/syrup	Parke Davis
(3) Aldomet Tablet	Merck Sharp & Dhome
(4) Thyroid tablets	Burrough's Wellcome
(5) Dapsone tablets	Do.
(6) Thalazole tablets	May & Baker
(7) Enteroquinol	East India
(8) Syntocinon Injection	M/s. Sandoz
(9) Methergin Injection	M/s. Sandoz

In many of these cases, however, equivalents were reportedly available.

There are many reasons for shortage of specific brand formulations, such as (i) labour unrest, (ii) power-cut, (iii) capacity constraints, (iv) limited/non availability of raw materials, etc.

(c) Government monitor the availability of life saving and essential formulations every week. Remedial action to relieve shortages is taken by telegraphically advising the manufacturers of specific brands reported in shortage and the manufacturers of the equivalent products also to rush supplies to the places from where shortages are reported.

Capacity of Nitrogen

*112. SHRI A. T. PATIL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) what was the installed capacity of Nitrogen and Phosphorus Pentaoxide respectively as on 31st October, 1980 and how much it is expected to be on 31st March, 1981; and

(b) which projects have started production during 1980 and what is their capacity?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) The installed capacity of Nitrogen and Phosphorus Pentaoxide (P_2O_5) as on 31st October, 1980 was 38.91 lakh tonnes and 12.72 lakh tonnes respectively. As on 31st March, 1981, the capacity would be 45.75 lakh tonnes of Nitrogen and 12.72 lakh tonnes P_2O_5 .

(b) The 2 coal-based fertilizer plants at Ramagundam and Talcher have started commercial production in November, 1980 and the Naptha

based Phulpur plant is also expected to be commissioned before the end of the year. The capacity of each of these 3 plants is 228,000 tonnes of Nitrogen, totalling to 684,000 tonnes of Nitrogen.

Work on Thein Dam Project Bugged Down

*113. SHRI P. K. KODIYAN: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the works on the Thein Dam Projects on the River Ravi has been bogged down by the Inter-State dispute;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what steps are being taken by the Union Government to solve the problem;

(d) whether Union Government have not sanctioned the required financial assistance for the project pending the dispute; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURI): (a) to (c). Due to inter-State issues involved, the Thein Dam Project could not be taken up for execution earlier. At a meeting taken by the Prime Minister in October, 1977 with the Chief Ministers of the concerned States, it was agreed that the project could be executed by Punjab and that an Inter-State Control Board would be constituted.

The Government is prepared to hold discussions with the concerned States to resolve the inter-State issues.

(d) and (e). The Punjab Government is financing the Project through their State Plans and have made the following provisions for the Sixth