

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2039**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2017**

**Profit Margin of Drugs**

2039. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:

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

- (a) whether a high level panel on drug prices has suggested to put a cap on profit margin for costly medicines to bring down the prices of medicines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has held or is holding consultation with various stakeholders in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS; MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)**

(a): The Department of Pharmaceuticals has not set up any such high level panel after the notification of Drugs(Prices Control ) Order, 2013 on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2013. However, a Committee was constituted by this Department to look into the issue of Trade Margin.

(b), (c) & (d): In view of above, does not arise.

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