

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 520

TO BE ANSWERED ON 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2017

**Profit Margin on Coronary Stents**

520. SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH DEO:

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

- (a) whether the margin of profit has been added on MRP fixed for different types of coronary stents by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA);
- (b) if so, the details of MRP fixed by NPPA along with the margin of profit; and
- (c) the action likely to be taken against the hospitals, in case they demand a higher price for stents as compared to their MRP?

**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) & (b): The Government has fixed ceiling price of Rs. 29,600 for Drug Eluting Stents(DES) and Rs. 7,260 for Bare Metal Stent(BMS) considering the 8% overall trade margin over the Price to Distributor (PTD). Margins of manufacturer/importer are not specifically fixed in a market based policy.

(c): No person is authorized to sell the coronary stents beyond the ceiling price. The Government is effectively monitoring the prices and taking action against those found overcharging the consumers.

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