

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5802
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03rd April, 2018

Price Cap by NPPA

5802. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) capped the prices of 31 more drugs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that there are 829 drugs in the National List of Essential Medicines, 2015, all of which will be brought under price control; and
- (d) if so, the details 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) to (d): The National List of Essential Medicines, 2015 (NLEM, 2015) contains 377 medicines. NLEM, 2015 has been included in the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 (DPCO, 2013) as revised Schedule – I replacing the original Schedule – I. The revised Schedule contains 377 medicines covering 945 formulations/packs. Till 28th February, 2018, National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) has fixed the ceiling prices of 851 formulations (including 4 medical devices i.e. Cardiac stents, drug eluting stents, condoms and intra uterine devices) under Revised Schedule - I of the DPCO, 2013 based on NLEM, 2015. The ceiling price notifications are available on the website of the NPPA i.e. www.nppaindia.nic.in.
