GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †4608 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th MARCH, 2025

Revision of Prices of Drugs

†4608. Dr. Rajeev Bharadwaj:

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

- (a) whether the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority has revised the prices of drugs;
- (b) if so, the number of drugs for which prices have been revised; and
- (c) the number and details of formulations for which retail prices have been revised?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (c): The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) under Department of Pharmaceuticals has fixed the ceiling prices of 928 scheduled formulations as on 25.3.2025. Further, as per provisions of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 (DPCO, 2013), these ceiling prices of scheduled medicines are revised annually based on the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) (all commodities). The ceiling prices of scheduled medicines for the financial year 2024-25 were increased by 0.00551% with effect from 1.4.2024, based on annual change in WPI (all commodities). NPPA also fixes the retail price of new drugs, as defined in paragraph 2(1)(u) of DPCO, 2013. NPPA has notified around 3,200 retail prices under DPCO, 2013 till 25.3.2025. All price notifications of formulations for which prices have been fixed or revised are available on NPPA's website (www.nppaindia.nic.in).
