

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1591**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2016**

**Pharmaceutical Companies**

1591. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

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

- (a) the number of pharmaceutical companies in the country and the details of their production capacity;
- (b) whether some unregistered pharmaceutical companies are also manufacturing drugs;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the action taken by the Government against such companies?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)**

(a): As per the Report of Working Group on Drugs & Pharmaceutical Industry 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan (2012-2017), there are 10,563 Pharma manufacturing companies operating in India. The details of production capacity is not available with the Department.

(b): All the Pharmaceutical Companies are required to take necessary approval from Drug Controller General of India/ State Drug Controllers before marketing their products.

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

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