

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 235**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2016**

**Capping Trade Margins of Costly  
Drugs**

235. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:  
SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a high-level committee has recommended for capping of trade margins for costly drugs with a view to bring down the MRP of the medicine; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the decisions of the Government on this issue?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The Committee has proposed graded trade margins with reference to the Price To Trade (PTT). The proposals of the Committee have been put on the Department's website with the request to the stakeholders to give their comments. These comments would be examined and a final decision would be taken thereafter.

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