Government of India Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers Department of Pharmaceuticals

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 316 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19th July, 2016

Export Potential of Pharmaceutical Industry

316. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the growing pharmaceuticals industry which has export potential to the tune of nearly 50% of the production (by volume) in the country;
- (b) the details of the study and analysis done by Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to lay down staffing norms for regulating the speedily growing pharmaceuticals industry and the pharmacists shops; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning to set up a National Drug Regulation Training Academy for conducting foundation and refresher courses for the officials in the drug regulatory set up at central as well as State levels for stringent adherence to the quality norms, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS; MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND MINISRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

- (a) Yes Madam.
- (b) The Department of Pharmaceutical has not conducted any such study. However, the National Pharmaceuticals Pricing Policy (NPPP), 2012 was notified on 7th December, 2012, with the objective to put in place a regulatory framework for pricing of drugs so as to ensure availability of required medicines "essential medicines" at reasonable prices even while providing sufficient opportunity for innovation and competition to support the growth of pharma industry thereby meeting the goals of employment and shared economic well-being for all.
- (c) No Madam.
- (d) A Training Academy for conducting foundation and refresher courses for the officials in the drug regulatory set up at Central as well as State levels is functioning from National Institute of Biologicals, Noida.