GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 391

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19TH July, 2016

New Pharmaceutical Pricing Policy

391. DR. SWAMI SAKSHIJI MAHARAJ:

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

- (a) whether the Government has announced its New National Pharmaceutical Pricing Policy (NPPP), if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has issued guidelines to pharmaceutical industry in regard to dispensing with drug manufacturing and 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): 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. Subsequent to this the Drugs (Prices Control Order, 2013 (DPCO-2013) was notified to implement the objectives outlined in the National Pharmaceuticals Pricing Policy (NPPP), 2012.
- (b): No, Madam.