

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

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UPLIFTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

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

(a): whether the Government are aware that owing to liberalisation of import of pharmaceuticals the goods produced in the Pharmaceutical Companies of the country are proving costlier than the imported goods; and

(b): if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to uplift the loss making Pharmaceutical Companies of the country in view of the changing economic scenario?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS)

(a) & (b): Prices of Pharmaceuticals produced in India are, by and large, competitive with reference to the prices in other countries. Imposition of anti-dumping duty and safeguard duty is considered, wherever found necessary, to protect the local industry.