

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:40  
ANSWERED ON:18.02.2003  
VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT SCHEME IN IDPL UNITS  
AJAY CHAKRABORTY

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

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- (a) Whether it is a fact that majority of the workers in various units of the Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Ltd. (IDPL) have accepted the Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS);
- (b) if so, the strength of the employees including officers in each of the IDPL units and the number of them that have accepted VRS offer and the number of those who have not;
- (c) the terms of the VRS and time by which it is likely to be implemented; and
- (d) the fate of the employees who have not accepted the VRS proposal?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHHATTRA PAL SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & c): Out of the total 6592 employees, 6531 have responded to the recent VRS introduced in IDPL as per extant Government policy. A statement showing the break-up of the employees who have responded to the VRS is given in the statement enclosed. Separation of these employees under VRS is dependant on the availability of funds with IDPL. Rs.150 crore has already been released by the Government of India for this purpose .

(d): The VRS has been introduced with, inter-alia, the clarification that for employees who do not opt for VRS within this period, VRS may not be given to them in future and only retrenchment compensation will be applicable. However, the future of the company and of the remaining employees would depend upon the revival by way of change of management being undertaken by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction.

Statement referred to in reply to Parts (b) and (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.40 for answer on 18.2.2003

No. of employees including officers in each of the units of IDPL are as under:-

Sl.No.            Total Manpower   VRS optees   not applied   for

1. Rishikesh Plant    2137   2104    33

2. Hyderabad Plant    2836   2823    13

3. Gurgaon Plant    538   534    4

4. Marketing Divn. (RSOs)    541   535                      6

5. Head Office    105   105    -

6. IDPL (Tamil Nadu) Ltd.    239   237    2

7 BDOCL Muzaffarpur    196   193    3

Total    6592   6531    61

