

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

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PRICE OF NON-SCHEDULE FORMULATIONS  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether NPPA is monitoring the prices of non-schedule formulations;
- (b) if so, whether the cases of violation of increase in prices of non-schedule formulations have come to the notice during the last five years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken against the defaulters?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN )

(a) & (d) : 74 bulk drugs are specified in the First Schedule of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order,1995 (DPCO,95). Prices of non-Scheduled formulations are fixed by the manufacturers themselves keeping in view the various factors like cost of production, marketing/selling expenses, R&D expenses, trade commission, market competition, product innovation, product quality etc. The Government takes corrective measures where the public interest is found to be adversely affected.