

has been accorded to four micro/mini/small hydro electric schemes of the Bihar State Hydro-Electric Power Corporation with a total capacity of 62.9 MW. These schemes are under implementation. Another mini hydel scheme with a capacity of 1 MW is also under installation. A project report relating to the installation of 2x1.55 MW hydro capacity was examined by the CEA and the Bihar State Hydro-Electric Power Corporation has been advised in February, 1990 to review the project in order to reduce the cost of generation.

Price of Analgin

1281. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that analgin is available at Rs. 260 per kg. in the market;

(b) what price his Ministry have taken for Analgin while fixing the price of Novalgin, Baralgon and Oxalgin Tablets;

(c) when was the price of each medicine fixed and what price was fixed, pack and strength-wise;

(d) what price of Oxyphenylbutazone was taken;

(e) whether his Ministry have verified the purchase prices of Analgin and Oxy-

phenylbutazone before fixing the prices of finished medicines;

(f) when his Ministry revised the prices of Analgin and Oxyphenylbutazone and what is the present price and earlier price of each; and

(g) what is the basis for price increase and what is Government's reaction to this increase?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Government has no information on this.

(b) to (f) According to BICP, while fixing the prices of Novalgin and Baralgon range of formulations, the notified price of bulk drug Analgin at Rs. 313/- per kg. was adopted. As regards Oxalgin Tablets, these are based on Analgin Oxyphenylbutazone. Oxyphenylbutazone is a non scheduled bulk drug and according to BICP a price of Rs. 775/- per kg. based on the purchase invoice was taken into account while fixing the price of Oxalgin Tablets. The purchase price of Analgin was, however, not verified by BICP in view of the availability of the notified price.

The prices of aforesaid formulations, as given by the BICP, are given in the annexed Statement. (See below)

(g) No, Sir. In fact, Government is considering to reduce the price of Analgin. As already stated above, Oxyphenyl Butazone is a non scheduled bulk drug under DPCO, 1987.

Statement

Sl. No.	Item	Unit	Price	Notified on
1	Oxalgin Tabs.	10s	6.51	7-7-1989
2	Baralgon Oral Drops 10ml Btl.	10ml Btl	7.21	Do.
3	Baralgon Tabs.	10X10 1000	49.28 431.90	Do. Do.
4	Baralgon Ampoules	10X2ml Amp. 5X5ml Amp. 30ml vial	25.78 105.25 16.	Do. Do. Do.

1	2	3	4	5
5	Analgin Tab. 500 mg. (Novalgin)	10X10s	40.98	16-10-1989
		1000	364.73	10-3-1989
6	Analgin Inj. 500 mg./ml	10X2ml Amp.	22.52	26-10-1989
		5X5ml- Amp.	18.30	Do.
		30 ml Vial	14.14	Do.
		10 ml Vial	6.74	Do.

Price control on ORS

1282. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 1908 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th November, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry fixed the prices of several brands of ORS except the leader brand;

(b) if so, what were the reasons therefor;

(c) when was the price of different packs of Electral fixed and communicated to its producer;

(d) what is the price at which each pack is being sold at present;

(e) when was ORS price decontrolled and whether his Ministry received the price break-up of Electral;

(f) what was the ex-factory cost and MAPE indicated for each pack in the break-up;

(g) when ORS is covered under National Health Programme on what grounds it has been omitted from price control;

(h) whether it is fact that Cabinet decision has been diluted and altered; and

(i) if so, what is the Cabinet decision about pricing policy on drugs needed for Health Programme?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) As per available information, prices of all such brands of ORS, for which applications were received, were fixed by the Government.

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) As per MIMS, April, 1990 the price of Electral granules (51.5 gm) is Rs. 6.25 per pack.

(e) and (f) Oral Rehydration Salt (ORS) was deleted from price control under DPCO, 1987 w.e.f. 18-1-1989. As per the information made available to the Department of C&PC by M/s FDC Limited, the Ex-factory price of Electral Granules (51.5 gms) has been indicated as Rs. 2.99 per pack, and MAPE @ 84.3 per cent on the ex-factory cost.

(g) to (i) ORS has been deleted from the list of price control drugs on the recommendations made by the Kelkar Committee in its Supplementary Report, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

Submission of Price Break-up by..
M/s. INFAR

1283. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer of Unstarred Question 1573 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th March, 1990 and state:

(a) what are the names of formulations being produced by Infar based on Hydro-