

Rest of the required details to the extent available will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

Prices of Streptomycin

1446. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry increased the price of Streptomycin produced by Synbiotics;

(b) if so, what was the earlier and present price;

(c) whether the price has been fixed for production of particular unit;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof;

(e) whether any of the producers has filed any writ petition in the High Court;

(f) if so, what are the details thereof;

(g) whether it is a fact that price increase has implications on the pending writ;

(h) if so, what steps have been taken to fix responsibility; and

(i) what are the names of producers of Streptomycin and what was the production of each during the last three years, yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) The price of Streptomycin Sulphate fixed under DPCO, 1987 and its earlier price is given below:

	Earlier Price (Retention & Common Sale Price) Rs./Kg.	Present Price Rs./Kg.
1. M/s. Synbiotics Ltd.	804.79	1049.00
2. M/s. Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	1147.00	1147.00
3. M/s. Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.	1147.00	1147.00
4. M/s. Alembic Chemical Works Ltd.	1147.00	1147.00

(e) and (f) M/s. Synbiotics Ltd. has filed a civil writ petition in the Delhi High Court in 1981 vide C. W. P. No. 200 of 1981. By an order dated 2.2.1981, the Division Branch of the Delhi High Court has granted an interim stay of the demand made on the company towards DPEA necessitated by the difference between the

pooled price for Streptomycin and the retention price payable to the company.

(g) and (h) No, Sir.

(i) The details of production of Streptomycin Sulphate to the extent available are given below:

Sr. No.	Name of the Company	Production in Tonnes		
		1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
1	M/s. Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	18.20	24.20	32.70
2	M/s. Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.	82.58	89.25	113.15
3	M/s. Synbiotics Ltd.	87.54	90.43	111.77