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(e) No, Sir—

Gobar gas-plants in Delhi and Madhya Pradesh

*195. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) what was the target for setting up of "gobar gas" plants in Delhi and Madhya Pradesh during the year 1983-84; and

(b) what is the extent to which the target has been achieved?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI SHIV SHANKAR), (a) and (b) The targets and achievements for setting up of Gobar Gas Plants in Delhi and Madhya under the National Project on Biogas Development during the year 1983-84 are as below:

Name of S	Target	Achievement
Delhi	5	34
Madhya Pradesh	7000	5602

Increase in the prices of certain drugs

196. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has recently increased the prices of Doxycycline, Amoxicillin, Ampicillin Tri-hydrate and Analgin; if so, what were the old prices and what are the present prices and when the same have been revised;

(b) whether these drugs are being sold at prices at least 30 per cent lower in the market than the prices fixed by Government; what is the basis for increase in the prices of these drugs and allowing the formulators to make unintended profits; and

(c) what steps are being taken to recover the unintended profit under drugs equalisation fund and to reduce the prices of formulations to provide relief to the consumers?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VASANT SATHE):

(a) In the recent past, there has been a revision in price of Doxycycline bulk drug from Rs. 4,000/- per kg. to Rs. 5890 per kg.

(b) The prices of Bulk Drugs are fixed as per provision of Drug Prices Control Order after taking into consideration the indigenous production from basic stages as well. There have been reports that some bulk drugs imported under REP and/or bulk drugs produced from imported intermediates are available at prices lower than the Government fixed prices.

(c) Notices have already been issued to the manufacturers of Doxycycline, Amoxicillin Trihydrate, Ampicillin Tri-hydrate and Analgin formulations with a view to mop up the unintended benefit. The prices of formulation are under constant review and revision in price is made as and when necessary.

Expansion of Madras Fertilizers limited

*197. SHRI R. MOHANARANGAM:
SHRI R. RAMAKRISHNAN:

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

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for expansion of the Madras Fertilizers Limited; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?