

(b) if so, what are the main features of the policy; and

(c) by when the policy is likely to be announced?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL): (a) No, Sir. The policy paper is under preparation.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) The statement is likely to be presented in the next Session of the Parliament.

Installed capacity of Metronidazole and Metronidazole Benzoxylate

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

(a) what is the installed capacity of Metronidazole and Metronidazole Benzoxylate of M/s. Metroni Private Limited, Tarapur, Maharashtra and what is their production of these two drugs separately during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) what is their captive consumption of these drugs and what is their sale to others during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) what is the average price at which these two drugs were sold during the last two years, year-wise;

(d) what are the notified price of these two drugs and at what price these drugs are being sold in the market;

(e) what are the names of ten top formulations based on these two bulk drugs, sales turn-over of each during last three years, year-wise alongwith the names of manufacturers, composition, pack retail price of each product; and

(f) what is the average unintended profit being made on each formulation per year on account of difference in price?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) M/s. Metroni Drugs Pvt. Ltd are Registered with DGTD to manufacture 120 tons/annum of Metronidazole and 3 tons/annum of Metronidazole Benzoyal Oxylate. As intimated by the Company their production of metronidazole during the last three years, year-wise is as under:—

Production (in tons)

1981	1982	1983
3.345*	34.424	45.677

*Production commenced in Oct.'81.

(b) and (c) Information regarding captive consumption, sale and the price of such sales during the last three years, year-wise is being collected and would be laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

(d) The notified price of Metronidazole is Rs. 497.98 per kg. and of Metronidazole Benzoxylate it is Rs. 600 per kg. Sales of Metronidazole at price varying from Rs. 290 per kg. to Rs. 325 per kg. have been reported by certain manufacturers. Similarly, sales of Metronidazole Benzoxylate at price varying from Rs. 310 per kg. to Rs. 347 per kg. have been reported by some companies recently.

(e) Names of major formulators of Metronidazole and Metronidazole Benzoxylate, names of their formulations, composition, pack size, retail price and the Trade sales turn-over as is available for the year ending January, 1984 are given in the attached statement.

(f) Notices have recently been issued to the manufacturers of the formulations based on Metronidazole Benzoxylate and the magnitude of unintended profit could be ascertained after reply to the notices is received.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Manufacturer	Name of the Formulation	Composition	Pack size	Retail price as per Indian pharmaceutical Guide of 1983/Leader price	Trade Sales turn-over in the year ending Jan. 1984 (Rs. lakhs)
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(a) *Metronidazole Formulations :*

1	Aristo Pharmaceuticals	Aristogyl	mg/tab. 200	10's	2.76*	9.16
2	Do.	Do.	400	6's	3.04	11.80
3	Dolphin	Klot Tabs.	200	12's	3.46	6.87
4	Do.	Do.	400	12's	5.62	9.34
5	Fairdeal Corp.	Orogyl Tab.	200	10's	2.21	1.39
6	Do.	Do.	400	10's	3.83	6.02
7	IDPL	Compeba	200	10's	2.76	6.71
8	May & Baker	Flagyl	200	10's	2.7*	93.39
9	Qo.	Do.	400	10's	5.10*	120.84
10	Unichem Labs.	Unimezol	200	"	2.99	10.26
11	Do.	Do	400	10's	5.19	21.70
12	Unique Pharms.	Metrogyl	200	10's	2.99	43.99
13	Do.	Do.	400	10's	5.10*	103.21

(b) *Metronidazole Benzoxylate Formulations :*

1	Aristo pharms.	Aristogyl Suspension	90 ml.	8.90*	14.76
2	Fairdeal Corp.	Orogyl Susp.	30ml	5.50*	5.04
3	Do.	Do.	60ml.	9.16*	2.77
4	Unichem	Unimezol Susp.	60ml.	12.50	8.57
5	Unique Pharms.	Metrogyl Susp.	30ml.	3.18	50.32
6	Do.	Do.	60ml.	4.54	21.07

*Leader price.