

## Statement

Increase in prices of drugs produced by Public Sector Units

Name of the bulk drug	Unit	Price before revision Rs.	Price after revision Rs.
Doxycycline Hcl	Kg	5890.00	4000.00
Oxytetracycline Hcl	Kg	736.49	847.30
Oxytetracycline Base	Kg	696.50	811.00
Potassium Penicillin G 1st Crystal	BU	533.00	582.03
Potassium Penicillin G	BU	692.00	760.88
Potassium Penicillin V	BU	819.00	885.69
Procaine Penicillin G	BU	813.00	856.71
Sodium Penicillin G	BU	846.00	900.82
Streptomycin Sulphate (Synbiotics)	Kg	459.31	505.90
Streptomycin Sulphate (Others)	Kg	691.06	847.42
Tetracycline Base	Kg	675.00	746.36
Tetracycline Hydrochloride	Kg	729.68	801.49
Vitamin B-I Hcl (oral)	Kg	749.71	816.73
Vitamin B-I Hcl (Amp.)	Kg	789.20	853.99
Vitamin B-I Mononitrate	Kg	770.80	845.03

मध्य प्रदेश में उर्वरक संयंत्रों की स्थापना

483. श्री रघुकुमार नाथनोय : क्या रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने मध्य प्रदेश में उर्वरक संयंत्र स्थापित करने का निर्णय किया है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो क्या सरकार ने इस संयंत्र की स्थापना के लिए स्थान के चयन हेतु सर्वेक्षण किया है ; और

(ग) यदि हाँ, तो उस स्थान का नाम क्या है जिसका सरकार ने इस संयंत्र की स्थापना के लिए अन्तिम रूप में चयन किया

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री (श्री चतुर्गुप्त साठे) : (क) जी, हाँ।

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(ग) उर्वरक संयंत्र मध्य प्रदेश में गुना जिले के विजयपुर में स्थापित किया जायेगा।

## Shortage of Soda Ash

484. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR:

SHRI JAGANNATHRAO  
JOSHI; SHRI SHRIDHAR  
WASUDEO

DHABE: SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN  
REDDY will be the Minister of  
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be  
pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that severe artificial shortage of soda ash existed from early 1978 till early 1981;

(b) what were the total opening stocks of soda ash of the four indigenous units for the years 1978 to 1982 as also figures of yearly production, imports, projected demand, excess availability over demand, year-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that the availability of soda ash eased from early 1981 through continued imports;

(d) whether it is also a fact that indigenous manufacturers increased their prices of soda ash from Rs. 900/- to Rs. 2,250/- per tonne through frequent price hikes during the period from March, 1979 to July, 1980; and

(e) if so, what are the details of price hikes by each manufacture?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMA CHANDRA RATH): (a) Soda Ash' was in short supply since early 1978. However, its availability has been comfortable since latter half of 1980, together from indigenous production and imports through Open General Licence.

(b) The opening stocks of soda ash as on 1.1.1978, 1.1.1979, 1.1.1980, 1.1.1981 and 1.1.1982 of the four indigenous manufacturers are indicated in the Statement. See Appendix CXXIV Annexure [No. 35]. The data of indigenous production of soda 1978-79, 1979-80, 1980-81 and 1981-82, and its estimated demand for the years data of imports for the years 1978-79, 1979-80 and 1980-81 (upto January 1981) and the total availability of Soda Ash during these years, are furnished in the Statements. [See Appendix CXXIV, Annexure No. 36.] Import statistics for the period subsequent to January 1981 are not yet ready. The import statistics are compiled and published by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Calcutta. There is usually a time lag in compilation and publication of these data. Once the data are compiled, they would be published in the Monthly Statistics of the

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Foreign Trade of India, Volume-II, the copies of which would be available in the Parliament Library.

(c) Import of Soda Ash was allowed under Open General Licence (OGL) with effect from 14.1.1979 and this measure contributed to the comfortable indigenous availability of soda ash.

(d) and (e). The ex-works prices excluding sales tax of Soda Ash manufactured by M/s. Tata Chemicals Limited, M/s. Saurashtra Chemicals and M/s. Dhran gadhra Chemical Works during the period from 1.3.1979 to 31.7.1980 are furnished in the Statement. The basic ex-works prices of soda ash of M/s. Hari Fertilizers (formerly M/s. New Central Jute Mills) excluding excise duty, sales tax, packing/branding charges, cost of bags etc. during the period 1.3.1979 to 31.7.1980 are also furnished in the Statement. [See Appendix CXXIV, Annexure No. 37].

#### Price of Soda Ash Imported by CPC

485. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR:

SHRI JAGANNATHRAO JOSHI:

SHRI SHRIDHAR WASUDEO DHABE;

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:

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

(a) the date from which price of soda ash imported by CPC has been lowered to Rs. 1800/- per tonne ex-Kandla;

(b) the need of calling for tenders by advertisements when CPC did not find it feasible to reduce the price of Rs. 2250/- per tonne ex-Kandla as was conveyed to All India Silicate Manufacturers Association by CPC in April, 1982;

(c) the date when Government concluded that soda ash was not saleable at Rs 2250/- per tonne ex-Kandla;

(d) whether it is also a fact that over 50 per cent of stock value of Rs. 1.86 crore, has been eroded by godown rent, interest, insurance and administrative charges;