

The details of total sector-wise imports as well as imports under OGL, item-wise, quantity-wise, price-wise and company-wise are not maintained.

Import of Steroid Intermediates by M/s. Glaxo Ltd.

2272. DR. JOSEPH LEON D'SOUZA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to State:

(a) what are the details of all steroid intermediates imported by M/s. Glaxo Ltd. during the past 3 years, their names, the quantity, the price and the end products for which they are used; and

(b) whether the above importation has been accounted for in the year's cost audit of M/s. Glaxo and if not, what are the reasons therefor and what action is contemplated to be taken against M/s. Glaxo on this account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) M/s. Glaxo Laboratories (India) Limited vide their letter dated 2nd March, 1982 have reported the production of following drugs which fall in the category of Steroids:—

1. Betamethasone Alcohol
2. Betamethasone 17-Valerate
3. Betamethasone Di-Sodium Phosphate
4. Hydrocortisone Acetate
5. Hydrocortisone Hemisuccinate
6. Magesrol Acetate

A Statement indicating the quantity of intermediates imported for each drug and the price thereof is attached.

(b) M/s. Glaxo have accounted for the imports of the Steroid intermediates in the Cost Audit Report for the year ending 30th June, 1981.

Statement

Name of the intermediate	Year	Quantity imported (Kg)	CIF price of Rs/Kg	Bulk drug for which used
1. Hydrocortisone USP Micronised	1978-79	Nil	Nil	
	1979-80	10	5961.80	Hydrocortisone Acetate/Hemi-Succinate.
	1980-81	20	5276.35	Hydrocortisone Acetate/Hemi-Succinate
2. Triene	1978,79	50	22.42 Qm.	Betamethasone Alcohol/Beta-methasone 17-Valerate/Betamethasone Di-Sodium Phosphate
	1979-80	50	32.66/gm.	Betamethasone Alcohol/Betamethasone 17-Valerate/Betamethasone Di-Sodium Phosphate.
	1980-81	50	23.22/gm	Betamethasone Alcohol/Betamethasone 17-Valerate/Betamethasone Di-Sodium Phosphate
3. 16-DPA	1978-79	Nil	Nil	
	1979-80	Nil	Nil	

Name of the intermediate	Year	Quantity imported (Kg/)	CIF price of Rs/Kg	Bulk during for which used
	1980-81	25	861.88	Betamethasone Alcohol/Betamethasone 17-Valerate/Betamethasone Di-Sodium Phosphate. (imported for comparative quality evaluation. Found to be sub-standard and rejected for use. The company have indicated that import was not paid for).
4. Epoxide	1978-79	Nil	Nil	Betamethasone and its derivatives.
	1979-80	Nil	Nil	Betamethasone and its derivatives.
	1980-81	200 gm.	77.29/ gm. (landed cost)	Betamethasone and its derivatives (the material was imported for research work).

The company have indicated that the production of Progesterol Acetate is imports of this material have how company.

the starting raw material for the 7-Acetoxy Progesterone. Specific ever, not been indicated by the company.

Marketing of Becosules by M/s. Pfizer

2273. DR. JOSEPH LEON D' SOUZA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the annual sales turnover of Becosules marketed by M/s. Pfizer;

(b) the composition and packings under which Becosules is being marketed;

(c) what is the price of Becosules and whether it is a fact that this product is being marketed without obtaining any price approval from his Ministry, thus making huge profit;

(d) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard and by when the consumer will get Becosules at fair and reasonable price; and

(e) what steps Government propose to take to recover the unintended profit made by this company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The following table gives the composition, pack size and trade sales of Becosules capsules produced by M/s. Pfizer for the year ending May, 1981 based on the available information:

Name of the formulation	Composition	Pack Size	Trade sales turnover (Rs./lakhs)
1. Becosules capsules	Vitamin B-Complex-Vitamin C	20 caps bottle	74.27
2. Do.	Do.	100 caps bottle	617.12