

| Name of the intermediate | Year | Quantity imported (Kg/) | CIF price of Rs/Kg | Bulk during for which used |
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| | 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 production of lagesterol Acetate is imports of this material have how pany.

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;

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

(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 (to) 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./lacs) |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Becosules capsules | Vitamin B-Complex-Vitamin C | 20 caps bottle | 74.25 |
| 2. Do. | Do. | 100 caps bottle | 617.12 |

** (c) to (e) M/s. Pfizer Limited applied to the Government for fixation of price of Becosules Capsules after reformulating them in accordance with the requirement of Schedule V of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 and the Rules made thereunder. Government is yet to decide about the mark-up to be allowed on reformulated Schedule V formulations. In the

meanwhile M/s. Pfizer under Subparagraph 3 of Paragraph 14 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979 have intimated the prices of reformulated product vide their letter dated 10th February, 1982. The price approved by the Government for pre-schedule V preparation and the price of reformulated preparation as intimated by the Company is as follows:

| Name of the product | Pack Size | Retail price as indicated by the company in their price list of July, 80 based on Government approval. | Retail price for reformulated products as indicated on 10th February, 1982. |
|---------------------|-----------------|--|---|
| 1. Becosules Caps. | 20 caps bottle | 11.91 | 8.81 |
| 2. Do. | 100 caps bottle | 50.39 | 32.07 |

Theft of Fuel from VVIP Tanks at Santa Cruz Airport

2274. SHRI AMARPROSAD CHAKRABORTY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the procedure followed by the Indian Oil Company to fill up petrol storage tanks inside the airport precincts (IOC) at various airports in India;

(b) how fuel was stolen from the WIP tank in spite of the security arrangements on the morning of 3rd March, 1982, at the Santacruz airport, Bombay; and

(c) what steps have been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR): (a) The storage tanks at Airport precincts receive aviation fuel from different terminals and depots of the oil companies by rail tank wagons, road tank trucks and pipeline.

(b) No theft took place.

(c) Procedure has been laid down for this purpose.

Fixation of the Price of 'Protinex'

2275. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the annual sale turn over of 'Protinex', a product manufactured by M/s. Pfizer;

(b) whether his Ministry has fixed the price 'Protinex' and if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether M/s. Pfizer are selling 'Protinex' at Government fixed price, if not, what action his Ministry is taking to recover the difference of amount and also to ensure that the product is available at fixed price to the consumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Total