Awarding of Honorary Doctorate degrees by NIPER

- 1271. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:
- the details of persons, status and basis on which Honorary Doctorate degrees were awarded by various National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) during the last three years;
- whether awarding of such Honorary degrees were approved by the Board of Governors (BOG) of the Institutions; and
- if so, the details thereof and if not, the action the Board of Governors of NIPER has taken against the persons responsible for such lapses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) National Institutes of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPERs) have reported that during the last three years Honorary Doctorate degrees were not awarded.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Pharmaceutical MNCs in the country

- 1272. SHRI N. BALAGANGA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:
- the details of the total number of MNCs that have set up pharmaceutical companies in the country, during last two years, year-wise and company-wise;
- whether it is a fact that prices of medicines have been hiked after their entry and their subsequent actions; and
 - if so, the details thereof and the response of Government thereto? (c)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) As per the information from Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE), six MNCs have set up pharmaceutical units as per table below:

Sl.N	Io. Name of MNC	Year
1	2	3
1.	Abbott Healthcare Pvt. Ltd.	2011