- ** In Haryana, three Jan Aushadhi Stores at Faridabad, Gurgaon and Yamuna Nagar and also Jan Aushadhi Store at NIMS and UPPAL, Hyderabad in Andhra Pradesh are non-functional due to administrative reasons.
- *** In Uttrakhand, Jan Aushadhi Store at Roorkee is temporarily non-functional due to administrative reasons.
- @ In the case of Rajasthan, as per the latest Health Policy of the Government of Rajasthan, free medicines are being given to all the in-patients as well as out-patients visiting the State Government Hospitals for treatment w.e.f. 2nd October, 2011. Accordingly, the State Government has since converted all the existing 53 JASs in the State, besides opening new outlets for free distribution centers for medicines. The matter regarding functioning of JASs in the State has been taken up with the MD, Rajasthan Medical Services Corporation, Government of Rajasthan.
- # In the case of West Bengal, as per the latest message received from the operating agencies, the State Government has directed them to close the Jan Aushadhi sales from there and are contemplating to run fair price stores for sale of medicines from such outlets.

Revival of FCI'S Talcher fertilizer factory

2208. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether FCI's Talcher fertilizer factory is being revived;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, and the total amount of investment required for the purpose; and
 - (c) by when it will start commercial production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) had in August, 2011 approved the Draft Rehabilitation

^{*} In Punjab, two stores at Fatehgarh Sahib and Roop Nagar are non-functional due to administrative reasons.

Scheme (DRS) for revival of all the Units of FCIL, including Talcher Fertilizer Plant. DRS envisaged revival of Talcher Unit by the consortium of M/s. Rashtriya Chemical & Fertilizers Limited (RCF), M/s Coal India Limited (CIL) and M/s Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL). Recently, CCEA in its meeting held on 9.5.2013, *inter-alia*, approved waiver of Government of India loan and interest of Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCIL) to facilitate FCIL to arrive at positive net worth. This enabled FCIL to get de-registered from the purview of Board For Industrial and Financial reconstruction (BIFR). Talcher project involves setting up 3850 MTPD Urea plant and 1000MTPD of Ammonium Nitrate plant with an estimated cost of Rs. 9000 core. No time schedule has been fixed as yet, however, it takes normally around three years to fully operationalise a urea plant from its zero date.

Shortage of fertilizers

2209. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a shortage in fertilizer supply *vis-a-vis* its demand, in any region, particularly in West Bengal in the last financial year;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures taken by Government to address such shortage in supply of fertilizer in each State;
- (d) the prices of various fertilizers in the country during the last three years;
- (e) the measures taken by Government to control the price rise of fertilizers; and
- (f) the demand as projected by the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation regarding availability and sale of various fertilizers in West Bengal, in the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) to (c) and (f) A statement showing State-wise requirement, availability and sales of fertilizers including West Bengal