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- if so, the steps Government has taken to let the officiating Director continue by default and inefficiency of the Selection Committee and the Chairman, Board of Governors of NIPER; and
 - (e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) In 2004, Director, National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Mohali, was appointed by Board of Governors (BoG) with the prior approval of the President of India, being Visitor of NIPER, Mohali.

- (b) and (c) The post of Director has not been filled up on regular basis because of non-receipt of recommendation of the Board of Governors (BoG).
- (d) and (e) In August, 2011, Chairman, BoG, NIPER, Mohali was requested to fill up the post of Director, NIPER, Mohali in a time bound manner. This was followed up by further reminders.

National Chemical Policy

4067. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- whether Government has constituted any committee for preparation of (a) National Chemical Policy, 2012;
 - whether the committee has submitted its report to Government; (b)
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - the comments of Government thereon? (d)

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) No. Sir.

- (b) and (c) Not applicable in view of (a) above.
- Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, on its own, has prepared a draft of the National Chemical Policy and posted it on the website of the Department to seek comments from the stakeholders. The comments of the stakeholders have been received and are under processing.