

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4164
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28th March, 2017

“Medical Devices Park”

4164. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:
SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to establish medical devices park across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location and State-wise;
- (c) the number of proposals received in this regard along with the status thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has constituted a Task Force on Medical Device Sector in India-2015;
- (e) if so, whether the Task Force had submitted its recommendations and urged the need for setting up of medical devices parks; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government on the recommendations of the Task Force?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS, ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS AND SHIPPING (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (c): Government has a proposal for providing financial assistance for Development of Common Facilitation Centres in Medical Devices Parks under the umbrella scheme for “Development of Pharmaceuticals Industry”. Proposals for assistance for setting up of Medical Device Parks from the State Governments of Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh were received. The State Government of Gujarat requested in-principle approval and financial assistance. Central Government has informed the State Government of Gujarat that no in-principle approval is required. State Government of Andhra Pradesh had also requested a grant of INR 75 Crores for setting up Common Facilities in the Andhra Pradesh Medtech Zone being established in Vishakhapatnam. The financial assistance to Medical Device parks is contingent upon allocation of funds for the proposed scheme.

(d): Yes, Madam.

(e) & (f): The Task Force recommendations included setting up manufacturing hubs/clusters in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode and setting up of medical device parks. The Task Force also recommended setting up of common medical device testing facilities in major medical device manufacturing hubs. After consideration of these recommendations of the Task Force, the Government has formulated a scheme to provide assistance for development of common facilities to reduce the manufacturing costs and reduce dependence on import. However, no budget allocation has yet been made for the proposed scheme.

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