

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 743**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2017**

**Pharma Sector**

743. SHRI B.V. NAIK:

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

(a) whether the Government recognizes the pharma sector as a sunshine industry having a tremendous potential for growth and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering to set up a separate Ministry for pharma and medical devices sector;

(c) whether the Government is considering to implement the recommendations of the Katoch Committee to cut bulk drugs import from China to help pharma industry in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS; MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)**

(a): Yes, Madam. The Indian Pharmaceutical Industry is witnessing a robust growth. In the beginning of 11<sup>th</sup> Plan in 2007 it stood at approximately Rs. 71000 crores which has now risen to approximately Rs. 2,00,000 crores as per data of Pharmatrac and Pharmexcil upto 2015-16.

(b): No, Madam.

(c) & (d): No final view has been taken about implementation of Katoch Committee recommendations yet.

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