

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 623  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022

**Self Reliance in Manufacturing of Pharmaceuticals**

**623. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to make India self-reliant in Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), Drug Intermediates (DIs) and Key Starting Materials (KSMs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS  
(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)**

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(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. In order to make the country self-reliant and to reduce import dependence in Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), Drug Intermediates (DIs) and Key Starting Materials (KSMs), the Department of Pharmaceuticals, amongst other, is implementing the following three schemes:

(i) Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for promotion of domestic manufacturing of critical Key Starting Materials (KSMs)/ Drug Intermediates (DIs) and Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) in India, with a financial outlay of Rs. 6,940 crores and the tenure from FY 2020-2021 to FY 2029-30, provides for financial incentive for 41 identified products. A total of 51 applications have been selected under the scheme. Out of these, 21 projects have already been commissioned with the installed capacity of 33,895 MT.

(ii) Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Pharmaceuticals, with a financial outlay Rs. 15,000 crores and the tenure from FY 2020- 2021 to FY 2028-29, provides for financial incentive to 55 selected applicants for manufacturing of identified products under three categories for a period of six years. The eligible drugs under this scheme include APIs among other categories of pharmaceutical products. A total of about 1,666 products have been approved for the selected 55 applicants under the scheme.

(iii) Scheme for Promotion of Bulk Drug Parks, with a financial outlay of Rs. 3,000 crores and the tenure from FY 2020-2021 to FY 2024-25, provides for financial assistance to three States for establishing Bulk Drug Parks. After evaluation of the proposals received from 13 States, the proposals of the states of Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh have been finally approved for providing grants-in-aid for creation of common infrastructure facilities in the proposed Bulk Drug Parks.