GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. **1414** TO BE ANSWERED ON THE **10th February**, **2023**

Bulk Drug Parks

1414. SHRI ARUN SAO: SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL: SHRI DILIP SAIKIA: SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up Bulk Drug Parks across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the places identified for the said purpose including Chhattisgarh; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to bring down the cost of manufacturing of bulk drugs by creation of world class common infrastructure facilities in the country?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Government's Scheme for Promotion of Bulk Drug Parks aims to facilitate setting up of three (3) Bulk Drug Parks in the country. The total financial outlay of the scheme is Rs. 3000 crore and the tenure of the Scheme is from 2020-21 to 2024-25. The financial assistance by the centre is subject to a maximum limit of Rs.1000 Crore per park or 70% of the project cost of CIF (90% in case of North Eastern States and Hilly States), whichever is less.

Under the scheme, the Department had received proposals from 13 States viz, (i) Uttar Pradesh (ii) Tamil Nadu (iii) Telangana (iv) Karnataka (v) Maharashtra (vi) Gujarat (vii) Madhya Pradesh (viii) Rajasthan (ix) Punjab (x) Haryana (xi) Himachal Pradesh (xii) Andhra Pradesh and (xiii) Odisha. After evaluation, the proposals of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh were selected in October-November 2022. The Government did not receive any proposal under the scheme from the Government of Chhatisgarh.

The support for the creation of world-class Common Infrastructure facilities under the scheme in these Parks intends to bring down the manufacturing cost of bulk drugs, that will be manufactured in these Bulk Drug parks, by ensuring a dedicated manufacturing ecosystem. Besides, these State Governments have also provisioned certain incentives for the units in these parks. Thus, the infrastructure support and financial incentives by the States will bring down manufacturing cost of bulk drugs in these parks.