

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1475
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th July, 2023

Medical Devices

**1475. SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY:
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:
SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that India imports almost 85-90 percent of the sophisticated medical devices from other countries and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the quantum of medical devices being imported from China and the cost of such devices;
- (c) whether it is a fact that India as a market for medical devices is among the top 20 countries in the world and worth almost USD 11 billion and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to create/augment indigenous manufacturing capacity of medical devices within the country itself along with the quantum of funds being spent for the same;
- (e) whether the Indian manufacturers, individually or jointly with foreign partners have shown interest in setting up manufacturing units for production of medical devices for which the country is dependent majorly on imports; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Yes Sir, the country depends on import of High end medical devices. The details of Imports of Medical Devices and those from China in FY 2022-23 is as under:-

S. NO.	Segment	Imports F.Y. 2022-23 (in USD Million)	Imports from China F.Y. 2022-23(in USD Million)
1	Electronics Equipment	4884	910.49
2	Surgical Instruments	210	27.36
3	Consumables & Disposables	1091	254.4
4	IVD Reagents	767	42.07
5	Implants	540	12.5
	TOTAL	7492	1246.82

Source: DGCIS

(c): As per a Study Report, Indian Medical Devices Market is among the top 20 countries in the world and worth almost USD 11 billion in 2020.

(d) to (f): The Government of India has taken various policy and schematic measures to promote the medical devices sector, including launch of Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for promoting Domestic Manufacturing of Medical Devices with total financial outlay Rs. 3,420 crore. In another PLI Scheme for Pharmaceuticals with a total outlay of Rs. 15,000 cr., one of the category included is In-Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) medical devices. Under the scheme for Promotion of Medical Devices Parks financial assistance of Rs. 100 crore each to 4 selected States/Union Territories is provided for creation of Common Infrastructure Facilities. In addition, the Department has recently notified Medical Devices Policy and has set up Export Promotion Council for Medical Devices.

Indian and Foreign Manufactures have shown interest in setting up manufacturing units for production of medical devices.

- i. Under **Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Promoting Domestic Manufacturing of Medical Devices (PLI MD)** 26 applicants have been approved.
- ii. Under **Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Pharmaceuticals**, which covers the In-Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) devices under product Category 3. Total of 5 applicants are selected for In-Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) under the scheme.
