

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 652
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 04TH FEBRUARY, 2022

Import of Medical Devices and Surgical Equipments

652. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:

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

- (a) whether most of the medical devices and surgical equipments are being imported from other countries, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of such items imported and their demand in the country during the last three years;
- (c) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to produce all these essential medical devices in the country under the Startup programmes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)**

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The status of medical devices forming the top 5 categories of the total import during the last three years is as below:

Category wise imports (Values in Mn USD)				
S. NO.	Segment	Imports F.Y. 2018-19	Imports F.Y. 2019-20	Imports F.Y. 2020-21
1	Electronics Equipment	3676.64	3646.53	3568.64
2	Surgical Instruments	190.18	180.10	103.62
3	Consumables & Disposables	966.10	1076.23	1470.77
4	IVD Reagent	482.73	527.20	871.89
5	Implants	384.79	415.35	225.63
	TOTAL	5700.44	5845.41	6240.55

Source-EEPC.

(c) to (d): The Department of Pharmaceuticals is implementing the schemes viz. Promotion of Medical Devices Parks, Production Linked Incentive Scheme (PLI) for Promoting Domestic Manufacturing of Medical Devices and Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for Pharmaceuticals. The aim of these schemes is to promote domestic manufacturing of medical devices to reduce the import dependency.
