GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3369 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 05th August, 2022

Export and Import of Medical Devices

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

- (a) the details of the country's exports and imports in medical devices in FY 2020-21 and 2021-22;
- (b) the details of the medical devices forming top 5 categories of the total import during FY 2020-21 and 2021-22;
- (c) whether it is a fact that 21 applicants selected under the "PLI Scheme for Promoting Domestic Manufacturing of Medical Devices" are medium and large manufacturers;
- (d) whether the Government intends to propose separate PLI schemes for MSMEs and large manufacturers in medical devices sector, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government intends to make affordable credit available for MSME's in medical devices sector, if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor; and
- (f) the details of the employment opportunities likely to be generated in the country from 2021-22 to 2027-28 after the implementation of PLI Scheme in medical devices sector?

ANSWER

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

(a): The details of the exports and imports in Medical Devices for FY 2020-21 and 2021-22 are as under (Source : EEPC):

Financial Year	Export (in US\$ million)	Import (in US\$ million)
2020-21	2532.16	6240.55
2021-22	2923.16	8539.5

(b): Segment / category wise Import details of Medical Devices during FY 2020-21 and 2021-22 are as below (source : EEPC):

Category	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
	(in US\$ million)	(in US\$ million)
Electronics Equipment (EL/EQ)	3568.64	5441.22
Consumables & Disposables (C/D)	1470.77	1623.55
IVD Reagent (IVD)	871.89	882.65
Implants (I)	225.63	423.06
Surgical Instruments (SI)	103.62	169.02

(c) to (f): The Department of Pharmaceuticals implements the "Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Promoting Domestic Manufacturing of Medical Devices" with a financial outlay of Rs. 3,420 Cr and with the tenure from FY 2020-21 to FY 2027-28. Under this scheme, financial incentives will be given to selected companies at the rate of 5% of incremental sales of medical devices manufactured in India and covered under the four Target segments of the scheme, for a period of five (5) years. Under the scheme, under two rounds of inviting applications, a total of 42 applications have been received including MSMEs and large manufacturers.

There is no proposal of separate PLI scheme for MSMEs and large manufacturers in Medical Devices, as the current PLI Scheme does not restrict participation of MSMEs. So far, 21 applicants are selected under the scheme and this includes 10 MSMEs and 11 large manufactures. As per the proposals submitted by these applicants, the projects selected under PLI scheme are expected to generate employment opportunities of around 6,411 persons in the tenure of FY 2021-22 to FY 2027-28.

Ministry of MSME provides credit support to eligible MSME industrial units, including for those in Medical Devices Sector, through schemes such as Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE), Fund of Funds, etc.
