

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3097
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9th AUGUST, 2024

Medical Devices Park

3097 Adv K. Francis George:

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

- (a) whether the Government of Kerala had approached the Ministry for funding and sanction of a joint venture company called Medical Devices Park to be set up at Thonnakkal, in the State of Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to approve and provide funds for the project through Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology located in Trivandrum as it proposes to alleviate our country's over dependence on imported medical devices and to foster innovation in this critical sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a) & (b): Under the scheme "Promotion of Medical Device Parks, Department had received proposals in 2020 from 16 states including Government of Kerala to set up medical device park at Bio 360 Life Sciences Park, Thonnakkal, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. After evaluation, only proposals of Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh were approved.

(c) & (d): Under the scheme 'Assistance to Medical Device Clusters for Common Facilities' (AMD-CF), a proposal from Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology located in Trivandrum has been received in March, 2024, for setting up of medical device testing facility which is under examination.
