GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. 278 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13TH DECEMBER, 2024

Scheme for Strengthening Medical Device Industry

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

(a) the salient features and objectives of the scheme for strengthening the medical device industry; and

(b) the quantum of financial assistance allocated in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 278 FOR REPLY ON 13.12.2024

(a) to (b): The objective of the scheme for Strengthening of medical device industry is to provide support in critical areas of the medical device industry, covering manufacturing of key components and accessories, skill development, support for clinical studies, development of common infrastructure and industry promotion. The scheme has an outlay of Rs. 500 crore for a period of three years i.e. from Financial Year 2024-25 to FY 2026-27. The salient features of the scheme are as follows: -

(i) Common Facilities for Medical Device Clusters: To strengthen existing infrastructure by providing financial assistance to medical device clusters for creating Common Infrastructure Facilities and to strengthen availability of more Medical Device Testing Laboratories in order to boost manufacturing of quality medical devices. Total outlay of the sub-scheme is Rs. 110 crore.

(ii) Marginal Investment Scheme for Reducing Import Dependence: To promote domestic production of key components, raw materials and accessories used in manufacturing of medical devices, including in-vitro diagnostic devices by way of one-time capital subsidy of 10-20%, with a maximum of Rs.10 crore per project. Total outlay of the sub-scheme is Rs 180 crore.

(iii) Capacity Building and Skill Development in Medical Device Sector: To promote education and research in medical devices sector and to ensure availability of trained human resource to meet the requirements of the Medical Device Industry. Support is provided for Masters' Courses and diploma/short-term courses in medical devices. Total outlay of the subscheme is Rs 100 crore.

(iv) Medical Device Clinical Studies Support Scheme: To promote manufacturing of quality products with better efficacy and safety. Financial support will be provided for animal studies; clinical investigations; post-market clinical follow-ups and clinical performance evaluation of new-IVDs. Total outlay of the sub-scheme is Rs 100 crore.

(v) Medical Device Promotion Scheme: To support medical device industry through studies, organizing awareness programs, exhibitions, workshops, creation of databases etc. Total outlay of the sub-scheme is Rs 10 crore.
