

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 766  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024

**Domestic Production of Medical Devices**

**766. Shri Putta Mahesh Kumar:**

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

- (a) the details regarding the schemes/programmes/initiatives undertaken by the Government to increase domestic production of medical devices in the country;
- (b) the details regarding the total funds allocated and utilised by the Government over the last five years to increase domestic production of medical devices in the country, State-wise especially in Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the status of proposed, under construction and presently functional medical device parks across India;
- (d) whether the Government has identified places to set up medical parks, if so, the details thereof and status of the same;
- (e) whether the Government has initiated any steps to incentivise the domestic production of medical devices in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government has undertaken any activities/campaigns for promoting use and manufacture of domestically produced medical devices, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

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(a), (c), (d) & (e): India is one of the fastest growing markets in the global medical devices industry, expected to grow at a CAGR of about 15 per cent. India is the fourth largest Asian medical devices market after Japan, China, and South Korea and among the top twenty global medical devices markets in the world. The Government of India has taken several measures to encourage domestic manufacturing and steady supply of medical devices in the country. The schematic interventions to support domestic manufacturing of medical devices are as follows:

**(i) Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Promoting Domestic Manufacturing of Medical Devices (PLI MD):** The Union Cabinet approved proposal on 20.03.2020 with the objective of the Scheme to boost domestic manufacturing and attract large investments in the Medical Devices Sector. The production tenure of the scheme is from FY 2020-2021 to FY 2027-28 with total financial outlay of Rs. 3,420 crores. The scheme provides for financial incentive to selected companies at the rate of 5% on 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. 32 applicants have been selected under the scheme. Against committed investment of Rs. 1,356.94 crore, out of which investment worth Rs 1057.47 crores has been realized. The cumulative sales made by the applicants under the scheme is Rs 8039.63 crores (which includes exports worth Rs 3,844.01 crores) upto September, 2024.

**(ii) Scheme for Promotion of Medical Devices Parks:** The scheme “Promotion of Medical Device Parks” was approved on 20th March, 2020 for providing easy access to world class common infrastructure facilities to medical device units located in the parks. The total financial outlay of the scheme is Rs. 400 crore and the implementation period is from FY 2020-2021 to FY 2024-2025. Under the scheme, Department had received proposals from 16 States. After evaluation of the proposals, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh were conveyed final approval for creation of common infrastructure facilities in the proposed medical device parks in these four states. Civil works in all the other three parks (except Himachal Pradesh) has progressed well with most of the structures for housing equipment for Common Infrastructure Facility (CIF) constructed, while procurement of equipment is in progress.

Medical Device park at Himachal Pradesh was facing funding issues from the state government side. It appears that due to cost overrun it did not remain feasible for the state government to implement the park within the framework of the scheme guidelines of the department, despite all support available from the department and Rs. 30 crores already released to the state. Hence, the proposal for setting up of the Medical Device Park at Nalagarh has been withdrawn by the State Government.

**(iii) New scheme for Strengthening Medical Device Industry launched on 8.11.2024**

In order 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, a new scheme “**Strengthening of Medical Device Industry**” with five sub-schemes has been launched on 8.11.2024 with financial outlay of Rs. 500 crore. Sub-scheme of the scheme is as given below:-

- (i) Common Facilities for Medical Devices Clusters
- (ii) Marginal Investment Scheme for Reducing Import Dependence
- (iii) Capacity Building and Skill Development for Medical Devices
- (iv) Medical Device Clinical Studies Support Scheme
- (v) Medical Device Promotion Scheme

(b) Funds have not been allocated under the schemes on a state-wise basis. Under “**Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Promoting Domestic Manufacturing of Medical Devices**”, the funds allocated in five years upto 2024-25 are Rs. 160 crore and funds utilized in five years are Rs. 57.11 crore upto 2023-2024. The funds allocated is Rs. 22.50 crore and Rs. 22.50 crore are utilized under the scheme “**Assistance to Medical Device Industry for Common Facility Centre**” to AMTZ, Government of Andhra Pradesh upto 2021-2022. The funds allocated is Rs. 367 crore upto 2024-2025 and Rs. 120 crore are utilized under the scheme “**Promotion of Medical Device Parks**” upto 2023-2024.

(f): Initiatives have been taken to promote the sector through events, workshops, and mega events like India Medical Device 2023 and India MedTech Expo2023. The India MedTech Expo 2023 was organized by the Department of Pharmaceuticals, from 17th-19th August 2023 at the Helipad Exhibition Centre in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. With the theme “India: The Next MedTech Global Hub - Future of Devices, Diagnostics, and Digital”. The Expo brought together key stakeholders of the medical devices ecosystem, including start-ups, MSMEs, large industries, hospitals, government agencies, R&D institutions, and academia. The event successfully showcased India's medical device prowess and promoted the domestic medical device industry. A total of 225 companies participated in the Expo, representing sectors like Medical Equipment, Diagnostics, Imaging, Home Medical Electronics, Physiotherapy, Orthopedic Devices, Laboratory Equipment, and so on. International Buyer Seller meets were

organized. A total of 217 international delegates from 50 countries visited the Expo. A total of 4909 business meetings were conducted over a span of 3-day event by the 225 exhibitors.

The new sub-scheme of the department - Medical Device Promotion Scheme aims to facilitate the growth and development of the medical devices sector in India by supporting activities such as study and survey reports, awareness programs etc.

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