Export of generic drugs to China

2097. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India is the largest manufacturer of generic drugs in the world;
 - (b) if so, the reasons for India not being able to export them to China; and
- (c) how India is going to fight China's protectionist policies in the World Trade Organisation (WTO)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY): (a) and (b) No Sir, India is one of the largest Manufacturers of Generic Drugs in the world and so is China. Since China meets its domestic requirement on its own, it is difficult to export generic drugs to China, except in case of exigencies. India is exporting some generic drugs to China and the value of generic drugs exported to China during the last three years is as below:—

(Values in US\$ million)

2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
19.05	15.83	23.23

Source: DGCI&S.

(c) In case of any protectionist policy being brought in or implemented by any WTO Member State, in contravention of WTO rules and regulation, which impacts our trade interest, India takes this up immediately with the concerned country, bilaterally and multilateraly in the World Trade Organization, to state our concern and seek remedy.

Talks with EU on data-adequacy status

2098. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has taken any steps to further the talks with European Union on data-adequacy status for Indian companies;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor,
- (c) whether India has engaged in conversation on cross-border data flow in bilateral and multilateral talks with EU, US and other countries; and