

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1461
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14TH MARCH, 2023

Budgetary allocations to the pharmaceutical industry

1461 Shri B. Parthasaradhi Reddy:

Will the Minister of **Chemicals and Fertilizers** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the new programmes to promote research and innovation in pharmaceuticals, as announced by the Minister of Finance in her 2023-24 Budget speech;
- (b) the details of Government plans to utilise the budgetary allocations made towards the promotion of Bulk Drug Parks; and
- (c) the details of Government plans to utilise the budgetary allocations made towards the promotion of Medical Device Parks?

ANSWER

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

(a): In her Budget speech, the Hon'ble Finance Minister had announced that a new Programme to promote research and innovation in pharmaceuticals will be taken up through Centres of Excellence. She had further informed the House that the government shall also encourage industry to invest in research and development in specific priority areas.

Pursuant thereto, the Department of Pharmaceuticals has formulated a Scheme for 'Promotion of Research and Innovation in Pharma MedTech Sector (PRIP)' having two components, viz., strengthening the research infrastructure by establishment of Centres of Excellences (CoEs) at seven existing National Institutes of Pharmaceutical Education & Research (NIPERs) and to provide financial assistance for the companies working with Govt. Institutes and for doing in-house R&D in specified moon-shot areas. The Proposed Scheme has been submitted for appraisal.

(b): A scheme for providing financial support for creation of Common Infrastructure Facilities (CIFs) in three Bulk Drugs parks in the country was approved with a total outlay of Rs. 3,000 cr. @ Rs. 1,000 cr for each selected state. The government has approved the proposals received from the states of Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Gujarat. An amount of Rs. 900 cr. has been allocated for the scheme in BE 2023-24, for second instalment to the three selected states.

(c): A scheme for providing financial support for creation of Common Infrastructure Facilities (CIFs) in four Medical Devices Parks in the country was approved with a total outlay of Rs. 400 cr. @ Rs. 100 cr for each selected state. The government has approved the proposals received from the states of Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh. An amount of Rs. 200 cr. has been allocated for the scheme in BE 2023-24, for releasing grant to the selected States.
