

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**

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Promotion of medical device industry

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

- (a) the efforts being made by Government to promote the medical device industry in the country;
- (b) the number of new medical device industries set up in the country during the last five years;
- (c) whether financial assistance is being provided by Government for setting up of these industries, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the new medical device industries has been set up in the State of Gujarat during the last five years, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (d): The Government has taken several measures to encourage domestic manufacturing of high-end medical devices, with a view to reduce imports dependence and boost domestic manufacturing. The programmatic interventions for the same are as follows:

- (i) *Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for promoting domestic manufacturing of Medical Devices*: This scheme has a financial outlay of ₹3,420 crore and a tenure from the financial year (FY) 2020-2021 to FY 2026-27. Under the scheme, selected companies are eligible for financial incentive at the rate of 5% of incremental sales of medical devices manufactured in India under the four target segments of (1) radiotherapy, (2) imaging devices, (3) anaesthesia, cardio-respiratory and critical care, (4) implants, for a period of five years. 19 Greenfield projects have so far been commissioned and production has started for 46 products, which include high-end medical devices such as linear accelerator, MRI machines, CT scans, mammograms, C-arms and ultrasound machines that were being imported. Applicants under the scheme have made cumulative sales ₹9,117.07 crore, including export sales worth ₹4,398.34 crore, till December 2024.
- (ii) *Scheme for Promotion of Medical Devices Parks*: The scheme aims to provide easy access to world-class, common infrastructure facilities to medical device units located in parks. It has a financial outlay of ₹400 crore. Approvals for creation of common infrastructure facilities in the proposed medical device parks have been conveyed in respect of proposals received from the State Governments of Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh.

(iii) *Scheme for Strengthening Medical Device Industry*: This scheme, with a financial outlay of ₹500 crore, has been launched on 8.11.2024, with a view to provide support in critical areas of the medical device industry, under the following five sub-schemes:

- (1) Common Facilities for Medical Devices Clusters;
- (2) Marginal Investment Scheme for Reducing Import Dependence;
- (3) Capacity Building and Skill Development for Medical Devices;
- (4) Medical Device Clinical Studies Support Scheme; and
- (5) Medical Device Promotion Scheme.

As per inputs from the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation and the Department of Health and Family Welfare, 3,596 medical device industry units have been set up in the country over the last five years, including 673 in the State of Gujarat.
