

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT OF ESSENTIAL MEDICINES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the essential medicines are being exported by the drug companies;and
- (b) if so, the details of the companies exporting these drugs alongwith the names of countries/ institutions which are importing these medicines from India?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRVEDI)

(a) & (b) There is no restriction on manufacture of essential medicines meant for export purpose. Such medicines are manufactured under manufacturing license granted by State Licensing Authorities (SLAs) appointed by State Governments. Many companies export such drugs to various countries.