

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT OF DRUGS
Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

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

- (a) whether the Government is mulling over a unique identification system to tag drugs exported from India to curb counterfeit drugs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any technology has been selected to enforce the new system;
- (d) if so, whether there is any proposal under consideration to introduce such a system in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) to (e): Ministry of Commerce & Industry (Department of Commerce) has informed that, in the wake of motivated campaign in the international media about export of spurious drugs from India, consultations are being held with the industry to adopt suitable tracing and tracking technologies to establish genuineness of drugs manufactured in India. Many manufacturers/exporters are using such technologies.