

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5474  
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2010  
PATENT OF LIFE SAVING DRUGS  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has taken a decision to increase the patent period of life saving drugs beyond 20 years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received a request in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

- (a): No, Madam.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.