GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to promote the production of quality medicines in the country alongwith the achievements made as a result thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up pharma park in the country; and

(c) if so, the details alongwith the objective thereof?

Answer

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

(a) The Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 as well as the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945 and amendments made therein from time to time have ensured quality of medicines produced or imported and marketed in the country. The Department of Pharmaceuticals has informed that the pharmaceutical policy as amended from time to time also envisages making available quality medicines at reasonable prices to the masses. Due to Governments consistent support to the initiatives and efforts of the domestic pharmaceutical industry, industry has grown from a turnover of mere Rs.237 crores in 1980 to more than Rs.1 lakh crores in 2009-10. Constant endeavor is made through the regulatory mechanism to ensure that the medicines sold in the market all parameters of quality safety and efficacy.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.