

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

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GROWTH IN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up a panel of secretaries to devise strategy for the growth of the pharma industry and address their concerns; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE INDEPENDENT CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a): Department of Commerce has constituted a Consultative Group to institutionalize a standard mechanism for consultation between Government and Industry to improve India's share in international pharma exports. Besides industry representatives, Secretaries of the key Ministries are members in this Consultative Group.

(b); The terms of reference of the Group is to advise the Government on the following matters:

(i) Develop India's brand image as a source of affordable, safe and quality medicines.

(ii) Garner larger share of global pharmaceutical market for India,

(iii) Develop quality infrastructure to improve long term sustainability for exports in India,

(iv) Strengthen innovations, particularly in all aspects of generic pharma in India.

(v) Improve investments in pharma sector for exports and develop new approach for production, exports and sharing services.