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Title: Need to take measures to stop influx of fake drugs into India.

SHRI ANTO ANTONY (PATHANAMATHITTA): I request the Government to urgently take necessary measures to prevent the influx of fake drugs into India. As per reports, these fake drugs accounts for about 20-30 per cent of total medicine supply in the country. Packed with the made in India tag, these drugs are prescribed as remedies for a variety of diseases ranging from diabetic to cancer. However, these drugs create serious health problems as their side effects. It is alarming to know that these fake drugs are very difficult to identify even in the first and second stage of lab tests. Influx of fake drugs with made in India tag has become a major problem of our contemporary concern. These fake drugs have already captured pharmaceutical markets in Africa. Now, these drugs are flooding to India and causing serious health hazards in our country. I, therefore, request the Government to take urgent steps in this regard.