

**INDIA – PATENT PROTECTION FOR PHARMACEUTICAL AND
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL PRODUCTS**

Status Report by India

Addendum

The following communication, dated 8 March 1999, from the Permanent Mission of India to the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Status Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations and Rulings in the
Dispute regarding India – Patent Protection for Pharmaceutical and
Agricultural Chemical Products

As mentioned in the third status report submitted to the Dispute Settlement Body in document No. WT/DS50/10/Add.2 dated 5 February 1999, the Patents (Amendment) Ordinance 1999 was promulgated by the Government of India on 8 January 1999. Furthermore, a Bill to replace the Ordinance is being introduced in the Budget Session of Indian Parliament which commenced on 22 February 1999. The matter would continue to remain in the legislative domain till the legislation is approved by the Parliament.

India will keep the Dispute Settlement Body informed of all significant developments as and when they occur.
