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The government has given its green signal for disbursement of Rs 1,000 crore to electronics sector under the PLI scheme (Pic: Canva Pro)

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Disbursements last fiscal

Until March 2023, the government had disbursed Rs 2,900 crore, out of the total claims of Rs 3,400 crore received under the PLI scheme. The scheme aims to invigorate domestic manufacturing, foster employment opportunities, and bolster exports.

The PLI scheme has had commendable performance in sectors such as electronics, pharmaceuticals, and medical devices. Notably, 32 beneficiaries have received approval under the PLI scheme for large-scale electronics manufacturing, encompassing mobile phones and specified electronic components.

Process for proposing disbursement

The process for proposing incentive disbursement is undertaken by the relevant ministries and departments overseeing the scheme's implementation. These proposals are then evaluated by the Empowered Committee, which comprises representatives from NITI Aayog, the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), the Ministry of Electronics and Informational Technology (MeitY), along with officials from the Department of Expenditure, Department of Revenue, Department of Economic Affairs, and the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT).

The committee extends its recommendations concerning the disbursement of incentives to the chosen beneficiaries under the PLI scheme. In sectors where PLI disbursement remains low or firms fail to meet specified performance benchmarks, respective departments are contemplating corrective measures within the framework of the scheme. Recently, high-level review meetings have been convened to assess the scheme's progress.

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