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National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority
Department of Pharmaceuticals
Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers
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Dated: Dec. 13, 2016

## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Sub:- Submission of information regarding production and supply of scheduled medicines under paragraphs 28 & 29 of the DPCO, 2013..reg.

The DPCO, 2013 has been enacted under section 3 of Essential Commodities Act, 1955, to ensure that essential medicines are available at affordable prices to all. In few instances it has been found that manufacturers had done drastic reduction in production and supply, thereby creating shortage in availability of life saving and essential medicines which is detrimental to the larger public interest.

2. In order to avoid sudden shortage in availability of medicines listed in Schedule-1 of the DPCO, 2013 and to facilitate appropriate and timely measures that can be undertaken, all manufacturers of such medicines including manufacturers or importers of individual active pharmaceutical ingredients or bulk drugs, as the case may be, are hereby directed to report to National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) whenever production and domestic supply of such medicines/APIs falls below more than one third of average batch size production or domestic supplies in last six months.

(Kalyan Nag) Adviser(Costs)

To

All Pharmaceutical Companies
All Pharmaceutical Associations

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State Drug Controllers, All State/U.Ts