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Government of India  
Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers  
Department of Pharmaceuticals  
National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority

New Delhi, the 2nd November, 2018

**ORDER**

**S.O 5637 (E).** Whereas the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority(NPPA), Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemical and Fertilizers has fixed the ceiling price under paragraph 19 of the Drug (Prices Control) order 2013, of Vitamin A Oral liquid 100000IU/ml vide notification number SO 3091(E) dated 20.09.2017 based on the procurement prices of Government procurement agencies, in the absence of the relevant market based data in the Pharmatrac report of AIOCD-AWACS. The ceiling prices were revised on the basis of WPI vide SO 1461(E) dated 2.4.2018.

02. Whereas State agencies of Karnataka, West Bengal, Rajasthan, Assam and Bihar have stated that the agencies are not able to procure citing the inability to supply within the ceiling price notified by NPPA. Some of the states have stated that no supplier has participated in the tender for procurement of the said formulation.

03. Whereas the said formulation is the health programme of the government and the procurement is being done by competitive bidding. Some state have practice to mark the product as “Government supply and not for sale” and like label on the packs of the medicine.

04. Whereas the Joint secretary in the Ministry of Health and Family called a meeting on dated 28-09-2018 whereby the representation made by state agencies stating the difficulties observed in the procurement of the said Medicine was discussed.

05. Whereas under the DPCO 2013, the market based data like PTR and MAT for retail sale is required. Whereas the said market based data is not available, as the product is not available for sale in the retail market as per report of AIOCD AWACS.

06. Whereas the NPPA in its 192nd Authority meeting held on 29-10-2018, decided that ceiling price may be fixed/revised under para 19 of the DPCO 2013 considering the difficulties observed by the state agencies for procurement decided to withdraw the ceiling price in respect of Vitamin A Oral liquid 100000IU/ml.

07. Now, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraphs 19 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013, read with S.O. 1394(E) dated the 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 and S.O. 701(E) dated 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 issued by the Government of India in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (hereinafter referred as NPPA) hereby withdraw the ceiling price notification number SO 1461(E) dated 2nd April 2018 and SO 3091(E) dated 20.09.2017, with effect from the date of this notification, to the extent it belong to following formulation.

Sl No	Formulation
1	Vitamin A Oral liquid 100000IU/ml

All the other ceiling prices and notes shall continue to be operation unless specifically amended/revised.

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