

FDA issues advisory on banned drugs

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The Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration (FDA) has informed that the Central Government has prohibited the manufacture for sale, sale or distribution for human use 156 drug Fixed Dose Combination (FDCs). This prohibition has been imposed pursuant to recommendation of the Expert Committee and Drugs Technical Advisory Board for the reason that these FDCs have no therapeutic justification. In view of this, all the drug retailers, wholesalers, manufacturers, Governments hospitals, District Hospitals, Urban Health Centres, Community Health Centres, Primary Health Centres, Dispensaries under the Directorate of Health Services, Goa Medical College and Hospital, Goa Nursing Homes, Hospitals, Goa Medical Council, Indian Medical Association as well as the Registered Medical Practitioners (RMPs) across the State are hereby informed to take note of the ban on FDCs.

The list of banned FDCs are uploaded on www.goa.gov.in.

All the RMPs, doctors, physicians are advised to ensure that no prescriptions are issued for these drugs in interest of patient's safety and all the retailers and wholesalers are advised to exercise extreme care and caution not to dispense or distribute these banned drugs.

Drug retailers, wholesalers, hospitals, Dispensaries, clinics are advised to identify these drugs at their premises and remove the same from their shelves and return back to their respective suppliers under intimation to the Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration.

Any deviation or non-compliance of this banned drugs notification shall attract severe penal action under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

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