

BANNED DRUG ADVISORY NOTICE

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The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale or distribution of all oral formulations containing Nimesulide above 100 mg in immediate release dosage form. This prohibition has been imposed pursuant to recommendation of the Drugs Technical Advisory Board for the reason that the use of all oral formulations containing Nimesulide above 100 mg in immediate release dosage form are likely to involve risk to human beings and safer alternatives to the said drug are available. In view of the above, all the drug retailers, wholesalers, manufacturers, Government Hospitals/District Hospitals/ UHC/CHC/PHC/Dispensaries under the Directorate of Health Services, Goa Medical College and Hospital, Goa Nursing Homes/Hospitals, Goa Medical Council/IMA as well as the Registered Medical Practitioners across the State are hereby informed to take note of the above ban on Nimesulide and its formulations for human use.

Notification regarding this ban is uploaded on Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration of Official website www.dfga.goa.gov.in.

All the RMPs/Doctors/Physicians are advised to ensure that no prescriptions are issued for this drug and all the Retailers/Wholesalers are advised to exercise extreme care and caution; not to dispense/distribute this banned drug.

Drugs Retailers, Wholesalers, Hospitals, Dispensaries, Clinics are advised to identify these drug formulations at their premises and remove the same from their shelves and return back to their respective suppliers under intimation to this Directorate.

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

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