

## AIOCD appeals to chemists to boycott online purchases

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All India Organisation of Chemists and Druggists (AIOCD) has appealed to all chemists to boycott online purchases.

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The appeal mentions that Amazon has announced the start of illegal e-pharmacy from Bengaluru which is still not allows under laws. Reliance who wishes to become number one in the world, has also expressed their eagerness by purchasing the e-pharmacy which is doing illegal activity. In the recent past, this company has shown their art of monopoly by eliminating everyone in telecommunication sector also.

"The medicine dealers / Pharmacists / Chemists of our country are taking care of their business by their own capital, following the drug act, pharmacy laws and other laws of the country. Our 8.50 lakh chemists and pharmacists are feeding 50 lakh members of their family and about 50 lakh employees , and 2.50 crore of their family members. We have proved our commitment to the people of our country as 'Custodian of Health' and as protector of public health in the past and during this pandemic also", said J S Shinde, President, AIOCD.

"Like other Corona Warriors, we also requested government to give insurance or give Corona insurance at the government fixed rate, but it was not even heard but still all 8.50 lakh chemists of the country are fulfilling their responsibilities for the people. We did not get distracted by the role of health care, but today it is time to save our livelihood.

We indirectly are also promoting online and if we, and all the bricks and mortar / or offline retailers / small shopkeepers and millions of their families and our staff boycott online purchases ourselves, then we together can teach them a lesson", he added.