

## Government launches digital tools developed by National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority

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### Integrated Pharmaceutical Database Management System 2.0 and Updated Pharma Sahi Dham App launched



Union Minister of Chemical and Fertilizers, Dr Mansukh Mandaviya recently addressed the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) where two digital tools were launched by the Minister- Integrated Pharmaceutical Database Management System 2.0 (IPDMS 2.0) and Pharma Sahi Daam 2.0 App.

IPDMS 2.0 is an integrated responsive cloud-based application developed by NPPA with technical support from the Centre for Advance Computing (C-DAC). It is envisaged to optimise synergies in operations to promote Government's thrust on 'Ease of Doing Business' as it would provide a single window for submissions of various forms as mandated under the Drug Price Control Order (DPCO), 2013. It would also enable the paperless functioning of NPPA and facilitate the stakeholders to connect with National Pharma Pricing Regulator from across the country.

Pharma Sahi Daam 2.0 App will have updated features like speech recognition; availability in Hindi and English; a share button and bookmarking medicines. This version of Pharma Sahi Daam also has a facility for launching complaints by the consumer through the consumer complaint handling module. The App will be available in both iOS and Android versions.

A publication titled 'An overview of Drug Pricing @ NPPA 25-year Odyssey' was also launched at the inaugural session. The publication chronicles not only the 25 year journey of NPPA but also highlights the evolution of the drug regulatory system in the country with special emphasis on pricing regulation.