

## Association of Devbhumi Pharma Industries & Akums Drugs & Pharma host meeting on revised schedule M

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The Association of Devbhumi Pharma Industries (ADPI), Uttarakhand, andAkums Drugs & Pharmaceuticals recently shared the successful organisation of the Interactive Meet held on Saturday, October 14, 2023, at the Hotel Hyphen Grand, Sidcul, Haridwar. This meeting brought together pharma professionals managing quality, regulatory and manufacturing functions to discuss vital topics related to pharmacopoeia standards, quality considerations, and the revision of Schedule M.

The event was graced by Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi, Secretary cum Scientific Director at the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) and Drug Controller General of India (DCGI), Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) as the Chief Guest and Tajber Singh, Drug Controlling and Licensing Authority, Uttarakhand as the Guest of Honor.

Dr Raghuvanshi, in his address, praised the efforts of Uttarakhand pharma manufacturers and acknowledged the changing global perspective in the pharmaceutical industry. He highlighted the importance of updating the industry in collaboration with global regulators. Dr Raghuvanshi emphasised the critical aspects of pharmacopoeia standards and quality considerations, stressing that it is the industry's responsibility to execute the provisions of IPC 2022 and timely implementation of the revised Schedule M notification. He underscored that quality should never be compromised for cost and called for active participation from the pharmaceutical community to ensure India as "Quality Pharmacy of the World".

Additionally, Dr Raghuvanshi announced a significant shift towards technology-based systems, revealing plans to create a complete digital platform integrating the Central and State regulatory systems, along with necessary connections to other relevant bodies. This digital platform will ensure a single window for regulatory processes.

Tajber Singh added regional perspectives and regulatory updates to the discussions, while Sandeep Jain, Chairman of ADPI and Joint Director of Akums Drugs & Pharmaceuticals, emphasised the importance of the pharmaceutical industry and indirectly contributed to employment opportunities.