

National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority

Subject: **Monitoring price movements of medicines under DPCO, 2013**

NPPA has carried out an internal exercise to observe price movement of medicines during the month of March, 2015 based on available database in respect of the both scheduled and non-scheduled category of formulations for appropriate action under provisions of DPCO, 2013. A brief summary of prima facie evidence showing increase / decrease / no change in the prices of numbers of Stock Keeping Units (SKUs) is given below:

Total Market as per Pharma Trac (MAT Value Rs. in Crores)	:	86410
Total Number of Pharma SKUs	:	98,356
Number of Scheduled SKUs	:	12,485
Number of Non-Scheduled SKUs	:	85,871

S.No.	Price Change	Scheduled SKUs	Non-scheduled SKUs	Total SKUs
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1	Decline	1033	5001	6034
2	No change	8998	62,323	71321
3	Change within permissible limit as per DPCO, 2013	2218	18102	20320
4	Change beyond permissible limit as per DPCO,2013	236	445	681

2. The above exercise shows compliance of the DPCO, 2013 from pricing perspective in respect of 99.3% of SKUs. After ascertaining status in respect of the cases observed for price violation from the manufacturers concerned, NPPA will take necessary action in such cases where price violation has been established under provisions of DPCO, 2013.