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## MISSING on your WEEKLY DOSE?

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**Weekly Insights & Updates**

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### **Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya interacts with doctors and representatives of IMA**

“While it is important to be on the alert and follow COVID-19 appropriate behaviour including wearing of masks, it is equally important to prevent an infodemic and share only authentic and verified information on COVID-19. Union Ministry of Health has been sharing information on various aspects of COVID prevention and management. I urge everyone to access and share only verified information and encourage others to also do so”. This was stated by Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare as he virtually interacted with about 100 doctors from across the country and members of Indian Medical Association (IMA).

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### **CDSCO and State Drugs Control Administration commence joint inspection of Drug Manufacturing Units**

Under directions of Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare and Chemicals & Fertilizers, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, the Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) has started conducting a joint inspection of identified Drug Manufacturing Units along with State Drugs Control Administration as per the risk-based approach. The Joint Inspections are being conducted all over the country as per the Standard Operating Procedures. A committee of two Joint Drugs Controllers has been constituted at CDSCO (HQ) to monitor the process of inspection, reporting & subsequent action to ensure compliance with the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940, and Rules thereunder. This will ensure high standards of quality compliance with respect to drugs manufactured in the country.

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### **Union Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya selects part-time members of National Medical Commission (NMC), Autonomous Boards, and Search Committee through draw of lots as per Procedure mentioned in National Medical Commission Act, 2019**

Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare took part in the appointment process of part-time members of National Medical Commission (NMC), Autonomous Boards, and Search Committee through a draw of lots. The procedure of appointments is laid down in National Medical Commission (NMC) Act, 2019.

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## **Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya and Shri Hardeep Singh Puri hail historic Memorandum of Understanding between Indian Oil Corporation Limited and Central TB Division for states of Uttar Pradesh and Chhattisgarh**

In a historic milestone that underscores India's commitment to counter the menace of Tuberculosis, Indian Oil (Indian Oil Corporation Limited) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), as part of its corporate social responsibility (CSR) with the Central TB Division (CTD) under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and the states of Uttar Pradesh and Chhattisgarh to undertake intensified TB elimination project. The MoU was signed in the presence of Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya and Union Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Housing & Urban Affairs, Shri. Hardeep Singh Puri.

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## **NHA is launching a lightweight HMIS and inviting healthcare providers to participate in its beta-testing**

The National Health Authority (NHA) is releasing the beta version of a lightweight, robust, and ABDM-compliant Hospital Management Information System (HMIS). This HMIS solution is envisioned to provide a digital platform for healthcare providers, particularly focusing on private clinics and small health facilities.

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## **Union Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya review status of essential medicines and drugs with Pharma Companies in view of spike in COVID-19 cases in some countries**

Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare and Chemicals & Fertilizers, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya reviewed the status, adequacy of COVID management drugs and production capacities with representatives of pharma companies through a VC, so that India is equipped to effectively handle any situation. This review meeting was taken in view of the spike in COVID-19 cases in some countries worldwide.

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## **Press Note on Uzbekistan-Marion Biotech Cough Syrup matter**

There have been reports from Uzbekistan concerning contaminated cough syrup Dok1 Max made by Indian company Marion Biotech, NOIDA, Uttar Pradesh. Under directions of Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare and Chemicals & Fertilizers, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) is in regular contact with the national drug regulator of Uzbekistan regarding the matter since 27th December, 2022.

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## **India crosses a significant milestone in the journey towards Universal Health Coverage - 1,50,000 Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres operationalized**

In a significant achievement demonstrating strengthening of the country's health infrastructure, India has surpassed a notable landmark- 150,000 Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs) have been operationalised before 31st December. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji applauded the nation's efforts in accomplishing this feat before the set deadline and commended that these centers will provide citizens all across the nation to easily access and avail primary healthcare facilities.

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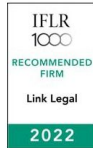
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