

IPR & Innovation

Air Ambulance: State in talks with three firms, [The Hindu](#)

After the Bike Ambulance, it is the turn of Air Ambulance in the State, mainly Bengaluru, to reach faster medical aid to the patients.

Minister for Health and Family Welfare, U.T. Khader on Sunday said three companies have shown interest to launch and operate the air ambulance services.

Speaking to reporters here,

Data on export of drugs being streamlined to resolve discrepancies, [The Hindu Business Line](#)

Pharmaceutical Export Promotion Council (Pharmexcil) is streamlining data collection mechanism on drug exports.

We feel that the data on exports has some inadequacies and we want to build a robust mechanism for data gathering on exports. The perception among the captains of the industry is not always matching with what the numbers

Focus on innovation: New drugs top Cadila Healthcare's prescription for growth, [Financial Express](#)

In the pipeline are three novel biologics, 10 vaccines, and two new chemical entities set to complete phase 1 clinical trials by end of 2015.

Cadila Healthcare is aiming high: it is gunning for revenues of R10,000 crore by FY 2016. India's fourth largest pharmaceutical company, and the manufacturer of India's

Mobile clinics, psychological support for Nepal quake victims, [The Tribune](#)

Domestic and international emergency response teams are racing against time and odds to rush in vital medical aid to people in the worst-affected areas of quake-hit Nepal, including flying in mobile clinics to far-flung villages and providing psychological support to traumatised victims of the tragedy.

Global humanitarian institutions - International Federation

MD-PhD courses in IIT-M to bridge research and practice, [The Hindu](#)

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, is planning to introduce MD-PhD courses, R. Nagarajan, its Dean, Office of International and Alumni Relations, said on Sunday.

The idea is to train the next generation of physician-scientists to solve disease-oriented research problems and promote low-cost treatment technologies, he said, adding that despite IIT Madras

Ethics & Compliance

India fully aligned with international IPR, will safeguard its own interests, says Nirmala Sitharama, [The Economic Times](#)

NEW DELHI: India is fully aligned with international intellectual property rights standards and "there is no need for anyone to question us", Commerce and Industry Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said, rebuffing a US report released last week that questions India's IP policies. Speaking to ET a day after the US Trade

MCI opposes CBI closure report against 2 doctors, [Asian Age](#)

The Medical Council of India (MCI) has moved the Delhi high court seeking quashing of a trial court order accepting the CBI's closure report in a case in which its two doctors were caught on camera allegedly accepting money for granting clearance to medical colleges.

The council filed the petition before

MCI should relax norms for persons running path labs as country faces shortage of qualified pathologist, [Pharmabiz.com](#)

Considering the issue of shortage of post graduate clinical pathologists in the country, the Medical Council of India (MCI) needs to review and ease the qualification norms with regard to running pathology labs as the country's healthcare system requires many such laboratories, observed eminent doctors from across the country in

MCI moves HC on CBI closure report agst doctors in graft case, [Press Trust of India](#)

New Delhi, May 3 (PTI) The Medical Council of India has moved the Delhi High Court seeking quashing of a trial court order accepting CBI's closure report in a case in which its two doctors were caught on camera allegedly accepting money for granting clearance to medical colleges.

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Medical Council of India moves HC on CBI closure report against doctors in graft case, [DNA India](#)

The Council filed the petition before Justice Siddharth Mridul, seeking direction to summon accused doctors, K K Arora and A S Nayyar, the then deputy secretaries of MCI, to face trial in the case.

The Medical Council of India has moved the Delhi High Court seeking quashing of a trial court

Medical & Regulatory

A BITTER PILL FOR PHARMA UNITS, [The Hindu - Hyderabad](#)

The thriving Indian generic pharmaceutical industry has, over the past decade, earned its stripes globally as a source of reliable and cheap generic versions of exorbitantly priced medicines made by multi-national pharmaceutical companies. However, India's pre-eminent position could take a hit if the changes in the Indian patent regime sought

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'India will not respond under pressure on IPR issues', [The Hindu Business Line](#)

The IPR policy to keep national interest in mind, says Nirmala Sitharaman

India will keep its national interest in mind while framing its new intellectual property rights (IPR) policy and not work under pressure of any country, Commerce and Industry Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has said.

Reacting to the US Trade Representative Special

KDPMA alerts DCGI on circulation of unapproved FDCs across central-state govt hospital supply chain, [Pharmabiz.com](#)

Karnataka Drugs and Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association (KDPMA) has brought to the notice of the Drugs Controller General of India that several unapproved fixed dose combinations (FDCs) are in circulation in the central and state government hospital supply chain.

These include the ESI Corporation of India, Jan Aushadi outlets of Bureau of

Medical regulator may reinspect DMCH this month, [The Times of India](#)

DARBHANGA: The union health ministry has asked Medical Council of India (MCI) to reconsider the compliance report on the deficiencies of Darbhanga Medical College and Hospital (DMCH) submitted by the principal by conducting inspection of the hospital.

The MCI may undertake inspection any time this month. An MCI team had inspected

Plastic packaging is injurious to health, [The Hindu Business Line](#)

This applies even to the best-known products available in India. Time, then for glass to make a comeback

It's the title that caught my eye from my alma mater Harvard University school of public health on how local and state governments were banning the sale of plastic baby bottles having traces

Snapdeal case: Cops to summon courier officials, [The Times of India](#)

NAVI MUMBAI: A day after the police recorded the statement of a pharmacist, who had complained to the state food and drug administration against e-commerce portal Snapdeal for "supplying prescription drugs", the police said on Sunday that they would record the statement of the courier agency which had "delivered" the

Sukhu urges Nadda to order inquiry, [The Tribune](#)

Tribune News Service Shimla, May 3 The Medical Council of India (MCI) decision to permit Maharishi Markandeshwar Medical College and Hospital to admit 150 students in the third batch of MBBS for 2015-16 session and recommending to the Union Health Ministry not to renew admissions to 50 additional seats at

Other News on Pharma

DTAB rejects demand to sell remaining quantum of unused clinical trial batch of biological drug with, [Pharmabiz.com](#)

The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) of the Union health ministry has turned down a proposal to make a provision under the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945 for permission to sell remaining quantities of unused clinical trial batch of a biological drug within its shelf life.

The issue of making a

Health ministry to review industry demand for withdrawal of ban on PET bottles, [Pharmabiz.com](#)

Following ministry of health and family welfare September 29, 2014 notification that sought to prohibit the use of containers made of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) for packaging of liquid oral formulations, a high level steering committee is likely to be constituted by the government in consultation with the concerned ministries very

It is Time to Act Fast, Mr Modi, [The New Indian Express](#)

NEW DELHI:Narendra Modi may prefer the Girl lion to be the national animal of India, but the tortoise was the UPA's symbol of governance. Racing it is the hare representing cost over-runs, which in a mixed bag of policy paralysis and cost escalation means that the taxpayer's money is wasted

Pictures Save Lives - When Will we Get 85% Pictorial Health Warnings on Both Sides of Tobacco Packs?, [Zee News](#)

Youth health advocates have urged Indian policymakers, including the Hon ble Prime Minister, Health Ministers and all Members of Parliament, to set a date for implementation of India s planned pictorial tobacco health warnings covering 85% of the front and back of all tobacco packages. At a press conference jointly