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## WEEKLY SNAPSHOT

### MEDIA NEWS + TRENDS

This weekly e-letter will highlight important media reports and call out any key trends that demonstrate how the landscape is evolving and accelerating in today's market environment. The update will also highlight action that has been initiated by OPPI in media.



#### Need to know

- IPR/patent issues: US calls for stock taking, India says wait... [The Hindu Business Line](#)
- Industry, research bodies differ over IP draft policy... [The Times of India](#)
- US Commerce Secretary-led team to discuss trade, patents protection... [The Hindu Business Line](#)
- India is not being victimised: Meir Pugatch, author of GIPC IP Index... [Business Standard](#)
- Govt may set up new Ministry for pharma sector... [Business Standard](#)
- To further tighten clinical trials, Centre unveils new standards... [The Hindu Business Line](#)
- Faster patent approvals on anvil for firms making in India... [Mint](#)
- USFDA officials to visit India this month; to sign pact... [The Economic Times](#)



#### Good to know

- Accessible health care services to be bedrock of policy: Nadda... [Business Standard](#)
- A sketchy road map for health policy: Nidhu Khurana, health systems researcher, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health... [The Hindu](#)
- Fighting for FinMin's attention... [The Hindu Business Line](#)
- Certain provisions in Trademarks Act unconstitutional: Madras HC... [The Economic Times](#)
- Healthcare corruption in India hits international headlines... [The Times of India](#)
- Unnecessary surgeries, jacked up bills: Docs reveal all... [Deccan Herald](#)
- Over 99% of SKUs adhere to norms under drug price control... [Daily News & Analysis](#)
- Current status of clinical research in India... [Express Pharma](#)



#### Want to know

- Pharma cos may have to report drugs' side effects to regulator... [The Economic Times](#)
- DCGI issues draft Accreditation Standards for accreditation of ethics committee, investigator & clinical trial site... [Pharmabiz](#)
- 'Punjab will be the new pharmaceutical hub'... [Business Standard](#)
- Clinical research: Regulatory uncertainty hits drug trials in India... [The Pharmaceutical Journal](#)
- India & the contagion: Varun Gandhi, BJP Lok Sabha MP... [The Asian Age](#)
- A K Bhattacharya: Managing the 'state' of affairs... [Business Standard](#)
- Regulated medical devices critical to patient safety... [The Economic Times](#)
- How India can strengthen its health care system: Munish Kumar Raizada, neonatal medicine in Chicago, USA... [DNA](#)

- Subir Roy: Say goodbye to national health policy... [Business Standard](#)
  - Compulsory licensing soon for export of generic drugs by India... [Business Standard](#)
  - Drug purchase to be regulated... [The Asian Age](#)
  - Allowing drugs without trials... [Pharmabiz](#)
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## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Innovation is the key to progress and prosperity. The process of innovation converts knowledge into social good and economic wealth. It encourages the engagement of talent with the society to improve the quality of life. India always has had a strong tradition of knowledge. Our knowledge system offer tremendous scope for research involving land-to-lab investigation and lab-to-land transfer of technology. It is important that the vast repository of indigenous knowledge is protected, documented and preserved in active collaboration with prominent practitioners of traditional knowledge.”

- Pranab Mukherjee, President of India ([Business Standard](#))

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