

Indian Pharmaceutical Alliance's Statement on Covid-19 and the commitment to be a reliable partner for supply of medicines

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Indian Pharmaceutical Alliance (IPA) and its member companies are working with the Government of India including state governments, Indian pharmaceutical industry associations in India and key stakeholders in the pharmaceutical supply chain to ensure that patients in India and the world continue to have access to medicines.

IPA member companies are closely monitoring orders and inventories of medicines. With an adequate stock of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), finished product formulations and channel availability, we would be able to sustain the supply of medicines for the coming months. We are not aware of any medicines shortage, to date.

We are working closely with the International Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association (IGPA), World Health Organisation (WHO) headquarters in Switzerland and its India office, Association of Affordable Medicines (AAM) USA, Medicines for Europe and several other country associations to assess international developments and any potential impact on supply of medicines globally.

IPA and its companies are aligned to government initiatives of containment measures and social distancing while meeting supply commitments in the essential services for availability of medicines.

IPA is committed to providing quality medicines to patients in India and across globe as patient centricity and welfare is fundamental to us.

IPA would like to thank entire medical community and other stakeholders for their selfless service in safeguarding and protecting people from COVID-19 pandemic. We take pride in being of service to the nation and the world at this time.

Indian Pharmaceutical Alliance (IPA) represents 24 research based national pharmaceutical companies. Collectively, IPA companies account for over 85 per cent of the private sector investment in pharmaceutical research and development. They contribute more than 80 per cent of the country's exports of drugs and pharmaceuticals and service over 57 per cent of the domestic market. For more details please refer www.ipa-india.org