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 Government of India
 Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
 Department of Pharmaceuticals
 National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority

New Delhi, the 31st March, 2023

ORDER

S.O. 1578(E):- In exercise of the powers conferred by paragraphs 4, 6, 10, 11, 14, 16, 17 and 18 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013, read with S.O. 1394(E) dated 30th May, 2013 and S.O. 5249(E) dated 11th November, 2022 issued by the Government of India in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (hereinafter referred as NPPA) hereby fixes the ceiling prices exclusive of goods and services tax applicable, if any, as specified in column (5) and increased by Wholesale Price Index (WPI) of 12.1218% under para 16 (1) of DPCO 2013, with effect from 1.04.2023 as specified in column (6) of the table in respect of the Scheduled formulations specified in the corresponding entry in column (2) of the said Table with the dosage form & strength and unit specified respectively in the corresponding entries in columns (3) and (4) thereof:

TABLE

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheduled Formulation	Dosage form and strength	Unit	Ceiling Price Fixed under NLEM, 2022 (Rs.)	Ceiling price (wef 1.4.2023 with WPI @ 12.1218%)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Amoxicillin	Powder for Injection 250 mg	1 Vial	22.11	24.79
2	Amoxicillin	Powder for Injection 500 mg	1 Vial	48.74	54.64
3	Azathioprine	Tablet 25mg(p)	1 Tablet	6.46	7.24
4	Azithromycin	Tablet 1000mg	1 Tablet	51.53	57.77
5	Benzoylperoxide	Gel 3.5%	1 GM	9.02	10.11
6	Cefuroxime	Tablet 500mg	1 Tablet	45.87	51.43
7	Cholecalciferol	Sachet/Granuels/Powder 60000 IU	1 GM	30.31	33.98
8	Dexamethasone	Tablet 4 mg	1 Tablet	4.12	4.61
9	Ivermectin	Tablet 6mg	1 Tablet	19.25	21.58
10	Ivermectin	Tablet 12mg	1 Tablet	33.33	37.37
11	Linezolid	Tablet 300mg	1 Tablet	20.2	22.64
12	Metoprolol	Injection 1mg/ML	1 ML	3.03	3.39
13	Propranolol	Capsule 20mg	1 Capsule	2.1	2.35
14	Propranolol	Capsule 10mg	1 Capsule	1.78	1.99
15	Vancomycin	Capsule 250mg	1 Capsule	135.91	152.38

Notes:

- (a) The above mentioned ceiling prices as fixed under NLEM 2022 shall be effective from 1st April, 2023 after application of Wholesale Price Index (WPI) and as specified in column (6) above.
- (b) All manufacturers of scheduled formulation, selling the branded or generic or both the versions of scheduled formulations at a price higher than the ceiling price (plus Goods and Services Tax as applicable) so fixed and notified by the Government, shall revise the prices of all such formulations downward not exceeding the ceiling price specified in column (5) in the above table plus goods and services tax as applicable, if any and then they may further make corresponding increase in MRP (excluding GST) upto the level of WPI @12.1218% with effect from 1st April, 2023 not exceeding ceiling prices as specified in column (6) in the above table.
- (c) All the existing manufacturers of above-mentioned scheduled formulations having MRP lower than the ceiling price specified in column (5) in the above table plus GST as applicable, if any, shall continue to maintain the existing MRP in accordance with paragraph 13 (2) of the DPCO, 2013 and they may further make corresponding increase in MRP upto the level of WPI @12.1218% with effect from 1st April, 2023.
- (d) The manufacturers may add goods and services tax only if they have paid actually or if it is payable to the Government on the ceiling price mentioned in column (6) of the above said table.
- (e) Information about the revision, if carried out, shall be forwarded to the Government in either electronic or physical form in Form-II within a period of fifteen days of such revision and non-submission of information under this sub-paragraph shall be construed as non revision of maximum retail price (MRP) and the concerned manufacturer shall be liable to deposit the amount charged over and above the pre-revised maximum retail price (MRP), alongwith interest thereon from the date of overcharging.
- (f) The ceiling price for a pack of the scheduled formulation shall be arrived at by the concerned manufacturer in accordance with the ceiling price specified in column (6) of the above table as per provisions contained in paragraph 11 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013. The manufacturer shall issue a price list in Form-V from date of Notification as per paragraph 24 of the DPCO, 2013 to NPPA through IPDMS and submit a copy to State Drug Controller and dealers.
- (g) As per para 24(4) of DPCO 2013, every retailer and dealer shall display price list and the supplementary price list, if any, as furnished by the manufacturer, on a conspicuous

part of the premises where he carries on business in a manner so as to be easily accessible to any person wishing to consult the same.

- (h) Where an existing manufacturer of scheduled formulation with dosage or strength or both as specified in the above table launches a new drug as per paragraph 2(1)(u) of the DPCO, 2013 such existing manufacturer shall apply for prior price approval of such new drug to the NPPA in Form I as specified under Schedule-II of the DPCO, 2013.
- (i) The manufacturers of above said scheduled formulations shall furnish quarterly return to the NPPA, in respect of production / import and sale of scheduled formulations in Form-III of Schedule-II of the DPCO, 2013 through IPDMS. Any manufacturer intending to discontinue production of above said scheduled formulation shall furnish information to the NPPA, in respect of discontinuation of production and / or import of scheduled formulation in Form-IV of Schedule-II of the DPCO, 2013 at least six months prior to the intended date of discontinuation.
- (j) The manufacturers not complying with the ceiling price and notes specified hereinabove shall be liable to deposit the overcharged amount along with interest thereon under the provisions of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 read with Essential Commodities Act, 1955.
- (k) Consequent to the issue of ceiling price of such formulation as specified in column (2) of the above table in this notification, the price order(s) fixing ceiling or retail price, if any, issued prior to the above said date of notification, stand(s) superseded.

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