



Union Health Minister Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda Launches Drug Registry to standardize medicine-related information across the healthcare ecosystem

**Drug Registry will enable transparency, trust and seamless
access to drug information across the nation: A stronger
digital backbone for India's healthcare future**

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Medicines are one of the most critical data elements in healthcare delivery. However, across healthcare systems in India, the same drug is often represented using different names and formats, leading to inconsistencies, duplication, data entry errors, and lack of interoperability. This creates challenges in clinical decision-making, e-prescriptions, supply chain management, and continuity of care.

To address this gap, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda launched the **Drug Registry** as a unified and standardized digital platform for drug-related information. Conceptualized under the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), it serves as a **single source of truth for medicines in India**, enabling consistent identification, storage, exchange and usage of drug data across healthcare systems.

ABDM is building a robust digital health ecosystem through four core registries:

- ABHA Registry (for individuals)
- Healthcare Professional Registry (HPR)
- Health Facility Registry (HFR)
- **Drug Registry (for medicines)**

The Drug Registry has been developed in collaboration with the Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) and National Resource Centre for EHR Standards (NRCeS), Pune. It leverages international standards such as SNOMED CT to ensure interoperability and semantic consistency across platforms.

The registry includes standardized drug codes covering:

- Generic (clinical drugs)
- Branded medicines
- Substances

Currently, the Drug Registry comprises:

- 123,000+ branded drugs
- 10,000+ generic drugs

- 29,000+ substances

The platform enables users to search and identify drugs using:

- Generic name
- Brand name
- Substance
- Manufacturer

Built on standardized terminology and aligned with global standards, the Drug Registry ensures accuracy, transparency, and seamless data exchange across healthcare systems.

The Drug Registry is designed to integrate with:

- Hospital Management Information Systems (HMIS)
- E-prescription platforms
- Doctor-facing applications
- ABDM-compliant digital health solutions

It provides open APIs for seamless integration, thereby strengthening interoperability across India's digital healthcare ecosystem. The registry connects healthcare providers, digital applications, and citizens to a verified and comprehensive drug database.

Portal Link:

Drug Registry Portal Link: <https://drugregistry.abdm.gov.in>

Drug Registry Sandbox/Testing Portal Link: <https://drugregistriesbx.abdm.gov.in/dr/v3>

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