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Protest against drug policy Lucknow, March 28

Medical stores and pharmacies here were closed Friday to protest the Central government's new drug policy. All wholesaler shops have also joined the one-day token protest, an office-bearer of the striking drug association said. Giriraj Rastogi, President of the Lucknow Chemists Association, said they were protesting against the new drug policy, which, among others, requires them to maintain a register listing all sold drugs. Suresh Gupta, general secretary of the Uttar Pradesh Chemist and Druggist Federation, said it was "nearly impossible" to maintain such records. IANS

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