

India puts off drug seizure plaint after EU assurance

NEW DELHI: India on Thursday said it is not pursuing the dispute on drug seizures with the European Union in WTO, for the time being, as the 27-nation bloc has assured to amend rules to stop re-occurrence of such incidents. India had dragged the European Union to the WTO in May this year after over 15 instances of seizure of its generic or off-patent pharmaceutical consignments in Europe, mainly by the Netherlands, on the ground that they violated EU patent laws. But Indian government maintains that the consignments consisted of off-patent drugs.

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