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New nodal centre to report adverse drug reactions statesman news service

NEW DELHI, 18 JULY: A new centre has been assigned as the nodal centre for reporting any adverse drug reaction. Indian Pharmacopoeia

Commission in Ghaziabad has been made as the nodal centre for drug reaction across the country. Earlier, All India Institute of

Earlier, All India Institute of Medical Sciences was entrusted with the task. Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) will function as national co-ordinating centre for the Pharma co vigilance Programme of India, an initiative of the Union Health Ministry launched in 2010 and aimed at patient safety by highlighting the adverse drug reactions (ADR) which can be encountered in commonly used medicines across the country and attempting to minimise them.

Over two million serious ADRs and one lakh deaths were being reported every year. It is also responsible for five per cent of hospital admissions.

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