

LIST OF DRUGS BANNED IN NEPAL

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Introduction

The general objective and purpose of this list of Drugs which are now banned in Nepal is to alert Medical Personnels and to avoid incidence of potential hazards. This will also lead to the identification of viable alternatives and practical approaches; towards a better and effective Drug management and awareness.

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HMG/ Nepal has banned the following medicine for production, sale/distribution, transportation, storage and import.

1. Amidopyrin and its combination
2. Clioquinol and its combination
3. Phenacetin and its combination
4. Combinations of vitamins with tranquillisers and/or anti-inflammatory agents
5. Combinations of antispasmodic atropine with analgesics and antipyretics
6. Combinations of yohimbine and/or strychnine with testosterone and/or vitamins
7. Combinations of iron with strychnine and/or yohimbine and/or vitamins
8. Combinations of sodium bromide or chloral hydrate with other Drugs
9. Combinations of antihistamines with antidiarrhoeals or with antimoesic
10. Combinations of vitamins with analgesics
11. Combinations of penicillins with sulfonamide
12. Combinations of vitamin C with tetracycline
13. Combinations of steroids with other drugs except with ephedrine and xanthines.
14. Combinations of chloramphenicol except in combination with streptomycin
15. Combinations of vitamins with antitubercular drug except with isoniazid and vitamin B-6,
16. Combinations of ergot except with caffeine
17. Combinations of strychnine and/or caffeine
18. Oral dehydration salt, which are not as per world Health organization's formula, are banned

Composition: (G/L) as recommended (as recommended by WHO)	Formula-1	Formula-2
Sodium Chloride	3.5 g	3.5 g
Potassium Chloride	1.5 g	1.5 g
Sodium Bicarbonate	2.5 g	-
Tri-Sodium Citrate(dehydrate)	-	2.9 g
Glucose, anhydrous	20.0 g	20.0 g

19. Alcofence and its combination
20. Aminorex and its combination
21. Amphetamine and its combination
22. Aristocolic acid and its combination

23. Azaribine and its combination
24. Benoxaprofen and its combination
25. Cholonaphazine and its combination
26. Chlorphentermine and its combination
27. Cloferex and its combination
28. Dienoesteol and its combination eg. Ethnor
29. Diphenoxylate and its combination illiquid dosa from eg. Lonofen, Lomotil
30. Hexextrol and its combination
31. Loperamide and its combination in liquid dosage from eg. Diarlop plus, Imosec-s, Tylox-2
32. Methapyrilene and its combination
33. Methaqualone and its combination
34. Nitrofurual and its combination
35. Oxyphenbutazone and its combination eg. Algesin-0, Butadex, Combigesic, IImar
36. Phenformin and its combination eg. Chloroforming, DBI/DBI-TD
37. Phenylbutazone and its combination with other drugs eg. Actimol, Algesin, Esgiphyrin, Zonaldin
38. Pipradol and its combination
39. Praetolol and its combination
40. Santonin and its combination
41. Sulphaguanidine and its combination
42. Tetracycline liquid oral preparation
43. Xenazoic acid and its combination
44. Combination of narcotic drugs except the following:
 - Combination containing pholcodine and codeine and their salts as cough sedative
 - Combination of codeine with paracetamol and/or aspirin in ratio not exceeding 1:50
 - Combination containing an antispasmodic
45. Combination antipsychotic drug (neuroleptic) with other drug except with anticholinergics trihexyphenidly
46. Combination of antispasmodic with vitamin, mineral and/or enzyme
47. Combination of antacid with vitamins or-anti-inflammatory drug
48. Combination of antidiarrhoeal/antibacterial with electrolytes
49. Combination of antitussive with an expectorant in cough syrup
50. Combination containing two or more antihistamines
51. Combination of hormone with vitamin
52. Combination of disidium hydrogen citrate with other drugs
53. Combination of ginseng with modern drugs
54. Combination of a bronchodilator with analgesic or antipyretic
55. Combination of cyproheptadine with strychnine
56. Combination product containing ingredients of two or more systems of medicine (eg. Ayurvedic, Allopathic, Unani and Homeopathic)
57. Oral liquid vitamins, vitamin-enzyme/vitamin-amino acid/vitamin-mineral which do not contain vitamin in therapeutic dose as per Indian Drug and Cosmetics Act (Volume not exceeding 250 ml.)
58. Combination of two or more antibacterial except the following:
 - Combination used the treatment of tuberculosis
 - Combination use for the treatment of leprosy
 - Combination of two antibiotics of the penicillin group
 - Combination of two or more therapeutic agents (recognized as per the regulation or stan-

dards of drugs 2043, rule 5 appendix-1)

59. Codeine or codeine based cough syrup except cough syrup containing single codeine (active ingredient) 3 mg/ml. in a bottle not exceeding 60 ml.
60. Combination of any antibacterial with another drug except the following:
- Combination used for treatment of tuberculosis
 - Combination used for the treatment of leprosy
 - Combination of two antibacterials of the penicillin group
 - Combination of two or more therapeutic agents Pharmacopoeia (recognized as per the regulation on standards of drugs 2043, rule 5, appendix-1)
61. Streptomycin in oral doses from
62. Combination of Paracetamol or Aspirin except in the following:
- Combination of Paracetamol or aspirin with one nasal decongestant and/or antihistamine
 - Combination of Paracetamol or aspirin (not exceeding 500mg.) with codeine not exceeding 10 mg. in a tablet
 - Combination of Paracetamol either with ibuprofen or with one muscle relaxant, eg. Ibuprofen Plus
- Pharmacopoeia recognized as per the regulation on standards of drugs 2043, rule 5, appendix-
63. Meprobamate or its combination eg. Neocor
64. Combination of anti amoebic or antidiarrhoeal drug except the following:
- Combination of metronidazole or tinidazole with diloxanide furoate
 - Combination of diphenoxylate 2.5 mg. with atropine 0.025 mg. in a tablet
65. All combination of antiflatulant except with antacid or antispasmodic
66. Combination of cyproheptadine with another drug.
67. All multi-ingredient based vitamin or tonic preparations except the following
- Vitamin product in therapeutic dose as denoted in Appendix -1 below.
 - Therapeutic B-complex based product (Appendix-1) containing enzyme and/or ammoniated or protein or mineral.
 - Combination of vitamin in therapeutic disease with another drug that are included in Pharmacopoeia, recognized as per the Regulation on Standards of Drugs 2043, rule 5, Appendix-1.

However, vitamin drops intended for infant's use and haematinic preparation are exempted from the banned list.

68. Angling and its combination e.g. Algerian O, Anadex, Baralagan, Novalgin, Oxalgin, Spasmizol & Trigan.
69. Sodium bicarbonate in liquid doses from intended for children use.

Note:

In some cases, the manufacturer has changed the formula of a combination drug, so that it no longer has the ingredients which were banned. In such cases, the drug may be given, even though it still has the same trade name, so keeping this in mind one has to check the ingredients on the level carefully, if not sure.

1. S.No. 1-17: Banned for oral and parental use.
2. S.No. 19-70 : The banned is not applicable to veterinary and topical preparations.

Source:

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