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# Drug Shortages

## Latest from around the world

## Drone Delivery transforming medicine access



The potential for drone delivery is increasing day by day, and now three new partners are working together to make this happen. Swoop Aero out of Australia will work with UK based Skyports as well Germany's BD Rowa Airfield Services company in order send medical supplies via airship! These "vertiports" located at London's Heathrow Airport & Singapore Changi Airport both serve Europe while also covering parts Middle East/Asia Pacific regions respectively; they're ideal places where goods can be delivered quickly without having too much hassle due traffic or other roadblocks common throughout these areas

Swoop Aero is no stranger to the risks faced by those who work in healthcare. The company has expanded its operations across Africa, scoring high-profile successes despite COVID 19 being an active pandemic zone for recent months

#### US Pharmacopeia creates animated map indicating which drugs affected by shortages

The US pharmacopeia has created an animated map that indicates which drugs are currently experiencing shortages, or those that might be affected

With the Medicine Supply Map, more than 40 datasets and 250 million data points were used to calculate risk of drug shortages. This "early warning system" aims at serving as an important tool for healthcare professionals across America who need reliable information about their supplies' availability so they can make better decisions on prescribing practices or other aspects that may affect patient care outcomes."

The United States is heavily depends on Indian API manufacturers for its active pharmaceutical ingredients. There are currently 114 facilities that produce more than 30 USapproved APIs in India, and 183 others which manufacture over 10 different types of these critical drugs used by doctors to treat patients here at home or abroad with no worries about shortages because they can always get what's needed when it matters most!

As the US considers legislation to improve supply chain resiliency, insights from the **Medicine Supply** Map can provide increased visibility to help decisionmaking

# Sri Lanka doctors warn of 'catastrophe' as medicines run low

Sri Lanka is in the midst of a humanitarian crisis, with doctors warning that unless drastic measures are taken soon many people will die.

The island's healthcare system has been suffering from crippling power cuts and shortages life-saving medications due to an ongoing issue at one factory which supplies them all; if this goes on much longer there's no telling how high mortality rates may go.



How corruption has created a severe medicine shortage; Iran

Iranians face a life-threatening shortage of medications and a sharp rise in prices, while those with establishment links make millions selling drugs on the black market

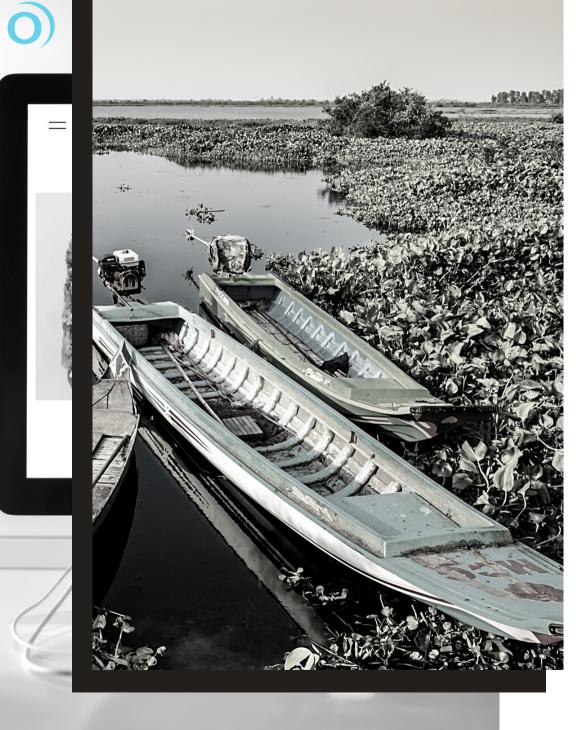
Call for "urgent need to revise unsustainable pricing and tendering policies."

### Sanctions Fuel Drug Shortages

"It feels as if the world has two atmospheres, and they're slowly crushing me."

#### RUSSIA

Russia is currently facing a shortage of medications and soaring prices because the West has imposed sweeping economic sanctions on Russia in response to their involvement with Ukraine. This crisis could lead manyRussians who cannot afford this problem into panic buying, which would cause even more problems as they try desperately wait out shortages until things settle down again



### Lebanon: Children's health gravely 'threatened' by economic and social crises, says UNICEF

A worsening health crisis for children.

The decline in child vaccination rates has created a health crisis that is marked by drug shortages and the departure of trained professionals.



source: The New Arab

#### INDIA'S PHARMA CITY TO BREAK CHINA'S GRIP



China supplies almost 70 per cent of active pharmaceutical ingredients to the Indian pharma industry but New Delhi is trying to take back control

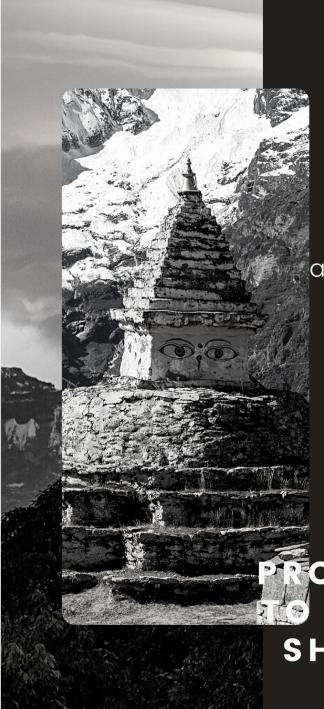
The mission of this experiment is to create a sustainable source for drugs that can be used around the world, but it's not an easy task. In order accomplish their goal these scientists must develop new ways in which produce herbs and plants with higher yields than before while also figuring out how best cultivate them so as not damage soil fertility or use too much water during production processes

The stretch where they've chosen happenstance has 14 thousand football fields worth if arid shrubland – about twice its pre-existing size! It will now become India's largest biotech park where locally sourced ingredients may soon replace those imported largely due having such low prices



#### SUPPORT NEPAL DRUGS LIMITED TO PRODUCE 25 ESSENTIAL MEDICINES

To ensure that all year round, state-run healthcare facilities have access to essential medicines. The Ministry of Health and Population is said work on producing low priced drug throughout the country in order for it can be cheaply provided within these hospitals or clinics



The company Nepal Drugs Limited is a leading producer of synthetic and Himalayan herbs, which helped authorities ensure their supply during the coronavirus pandemic.

#### INCREASE RODUCTION MITIGATE SHORTAGES

# findings provide insight into PDR rates in PNG's adult population

High prevalence of pretreatment HIV drug resistance in Papua New Guinea: findings from the first nationally representative pre-treatment HIV drug resistance study





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