OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Clarification on Order notifying provisions about Pharmaceutical formulations in furtherance to the Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India), Order, 2017.

The Department of Pharmaceuticals has issued an order on 01.01.2019 notifying provisions about Pharmaceutical Formulations in furtherance to the Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India), Order, 2017. In this regard, it is clarified that “formulations” mentioned in the order refer to “formulation” defined in the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 and the same is reiterated below:

"Formulation" means a medicine processed out of or containing one or more drugs with or without use of any pharmaceutical aids, for internal or external use for or in the diagnosis, treatment, mitigation or prevention of disease and, but shall not include—

i. any medicine included in any bonafide Ayurvedic (including Sidha) or Unani (Tibb) systems of medicines;
ii. any medicine included in the Homeopathic system of medicine; and
iii. any substance to which the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 (23 of 1940) do not apply;

2. This issues with the approval of Secretary (Pharma).

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