

Pharma dept may ban sale of baby food

NEW DELHI: In the wake of Maggi controversy, Department of Pharmaceuticals is mulling to bring a proposal to ban sale of baby food products and other supplements at pharmacies.

The department said only pharmaceutical items like medicines and syrups must be allowed for sale in such shops.

"People purchase baby food products and supplements from chemist shops under the impression that these are good for health...what happened in the Maggi case we all know...it is mostly consumed by children. So these should not be sold at chemist shops," Minister of State for Chemicals and Fertilisers Hansraj Gangaram Ahir said.

The minister further said: "I am of the view that baby food products like Nestle's Cerelac and Nestum; Johnson and Johnson's baby soap and oil; and other companies' products also...these should not be sold at chemist shops."

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