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Drug price cut: ₹2,772-cr benefit

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The government's decision to reduce prices of drugs, including those of cancer, cardiovascular diseases, AIDS/HIV and diabetes, has benefited the public to the tune of some ₹2,772 crore, the Lok Sabha was told today. However, the government did not specify the period in which these benefits accrued. Out of a total of 680 under the National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM) under the scheduled category of DPCO, 2013, the National Pharmaceutical pricing Authority (NPPA) has already fixed the ceiling prices in respect of 530 medicines, Minister of State of Chemicals and Fertilizers Hansraj Gangaram Ahir said in a reply to a question in the Lok Sabha. PTI

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