CANCER DRUG SHORTAGE

Drugmaker Naprod seeks 1-time price hike

Says higher import duties, regulatory hurdles have made chemo drugs' production unviable

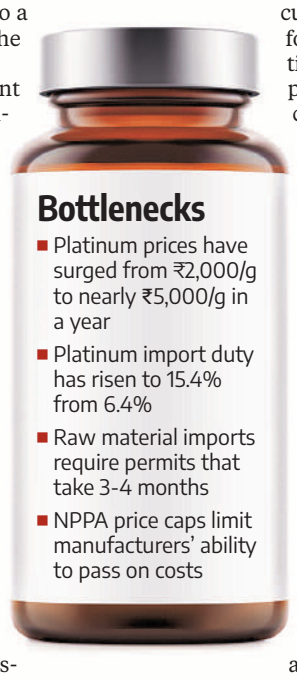
SOHINI DAS
Mumbai, 9 June

Oncology drug manufacturer Naprod Life Sciences has sought a revision in the ceiling prices of chemotherapy drugs cisplatin and carboplatin.

According to the company, soaring platinum prices, higher import duties and regulatory hurdles have made production financially unsustainable, contributing to a growing shortage of the medicines across India.

The development comes as several hospitals and cancer centres have reported difficulties procuring supplies of cisplatin and carboplatin, two of the most widely used chemotherapy drugs for the treatment of ovarian, cervical, lung, head and neck, bladder and testicular cancers.

The shortage has raised concerns over potential disruptions to treatment schedules for cancer patients, as the drugs remain a backbone of many curative and palliative treatment regimens.



Bottlenecks

- Platinum prices have surged from ₹2,000/g to nearly ₹5,000/g in a year
- Platinum import duty has risen to 15.4% from 6.4%
- Raw material imports require permits that take 3-4 months
- NPPA price caps limit manufacturers' ability to pass on costs

"The shortage of cisplatin and carboplatin is primarily driven by a steep increase in platinum prices," said Mohan Jain, director, Naprod Life Sciences. According to the company, platinum prices have risen from around ₹2,000 per gram in June 2025 to nearly ₹5,000 per gram currently, representing the sharpest increase seen in more than 15 years.

Jain said the shortage began around mid-2025 and has persisted since then. While recent geopolitical disruptions in West Asia have added pressure to global supply chains, the underlying problem stems from the sharp rise in platinum prices and challenges associated with importing the raw material required to manufacture the drugs.

According to the company, platinum-based raw material is largely imported and requires a special government permit, a process that currently takes three to four months. At the same time, cisplatin and carboplatin are subject to price controls under the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA), limiting manufacturers' ability to pass on rising input costs.

"The raw material cost is often close to the selling price of the finished product," Jain said, adding that this has made production increasingly difficult for manufacturers.

The company also cited an increase in platinum import duty to 15.4 per cent from 6.4 per cent earlier, as well as the depreciation of the rupee against the US dollar, as factors worsening production economics.

Naprod said it has approached the NPPA seeking a revision in the ceiling prices of the drugs and urged the government to streamline import approvals and review duties on platinum imports.

Industry executives said supplies could remain tight until raw material costs stabilise, import clearances become faster and production economics improve.

₹6,800 CRORE ZOJILA TUNNEL PROJECT IN J&K ACHIEVES A BREAKTHROUGH



The ₹6,800 crore Zojila tunnel, Asia's longest tunnel connecting the Kashmir Valley to Ladakh, achieved a significant breakthrough on Tuesday, with a blast breaking through the last 2.5 metres of the 13-km high-altitude infrastructure project that cuts through the Himalayas. Expected to open in 2028, the tunnel will provide year-round, all-weather connectivity to Ladakh, reducing the travel time from 1-1.5 hours to 15 minutes PHOTO: PTI

Heat stress cuts garment factory output by up to 10%: Report

SHINE JACOB
Chennai, 9 June

Rising temperatures and humidity are affecting workers' health and disrupting productivity as much as 10 per cent in garment factories supplying apparels to brands like Primark, D-Mart, Target, Marks & Spencer, Tesco, Tommy Hilfiger, and NEXT, according to a report released on Tuesday by the NYU Stern Center for Business and Human Rights.

The report, "Too Hot to Ignore: Extreme Heat in Garment Supply Chains", is based on visits to 10 garment factories across Tamil Nadu, Haryana, Odisha, Maharashtra, and Karnataka in September 2025.

The findings come after the International Labour Organization (ILO) stated that 70 per cent of the global working population, 2.41 billion workers, are likely to be exposed to extreme heat every year. This leads to 23 million non-fatal injuries and 19,000 deaths annually.

India is the world's sixth-largest garment exporter. The report estimates that heat-related expenses are costing workers ₹500-1,000 a month, a major portion of the average monthly wage of ₹11,500-18,000. Suppliers said they would be willing to invest more in heat-mitigation measures if brands required such steps, provided technical support, or shared the costs.

It said that brands recognise the risk but lack the data to manage it. While 94.1 per cent of surveyed apparel and footwear brands said extreme heat poses a moderate or significant risk to production, only 35.3 per cent require suppliers to measure temperature or humidity inside production areas, and none collect such data continuously.

"Managers across the nine operating factories visited reported productivity reductions of approximately 3 per cent to 10 per cent and absenteeism increases of approximately 2 per cent to 5 per cent during peak summer months," it said.

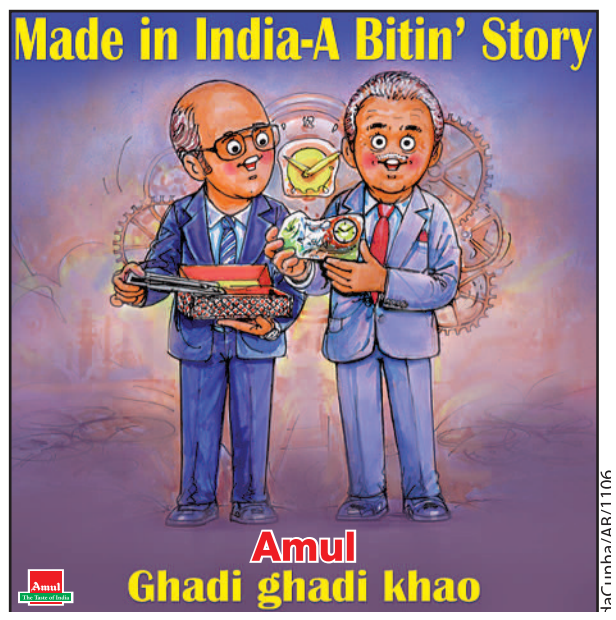
Feeling the heat

43-45°C indoor temperatures recorded in some factory units

2-5% higher absenteeism reported during peak summer months

₹500-1,000 a month lost by workers to heat-related costs

94.1% brands flagged heat as a production risk, but only **35.3%** require workplace monitoring



Constitution doesn't permit govt to direct judiciary: Meghwal

Union Law and Justice Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal on Tuesday asserted that the Constitution does not permit the government to direct or interfere in the judiciary's functioning. Responding to a question on whether the government intended to review oral observations made by members of the higher judiciary that led to the formation of the "Cockroach Janata Party", Meghwal said: "Under Article 50, these three wings (the legislature, executive and judiciary) function separately and independently. The judiciary is an independent wing and the independence of the judiciary is a core aspect of the Constitution," he said. BS REPORTER

APPOINTMENTS

Advertisement No.: 67/2026

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Public Enterprises Selection Board
invites applications for the post of

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in
ONGC Videsh Limited

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30.06.2026

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APPENDIX-IV-A [SEE PROVISION TO RULE 8(6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(6)] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/ charged to Truhome Finance Limited (formerly M/s Shriram Housing Finance Limited), the Symbolic Possession of which have been taken by the Authorized Officer of Truhome Finance Limited, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis in e-auction on 17/07/2026 between 11.30 A.m. to 12.30 p.m. for recovery of the balance due to Truhome Finance Limited from the Borrowers And Guarantors, as mentioned in the table.
Details of Borrowers and Guarantors, amount due, Short Description of the immovable property, reserve price and earnest money deposit and date of Inspection are also given as:

Name of Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/Mortgagers	Amount of Recovery and date of Demand Notice	Reserve Price (Rs.) & Bid Increment	Date & Time of Auction	Contact Person Details – (AO and Disposal team)
1 MR.ANKIT GANESH JADHAV (Borrower) 2. MR.GANESH JADHAV (Co-Borrower) 3. MRS.GAYATRI GANESH JADHAV (Co-Borrower) Current Address: 206 A WING BHAGVATI HOUSING SOCIETY SHIVAJINAGAR GAVTHAN SHIVAJINAGAR GAVTHAN SHIVAJINAGAR PUNE Maharashtra INDIA 411005. ALSO AT: Property Address: GROUND FLOOR BHAGWATI CO OP HSG SOC LTD CTS NO 206 A FLAT NO 2 SHIVAJINAGAR SHIVAJI NAGAR NA SHIVAJINAGAR PUNE MAHARASHTRA 411005 Loan Account No. SLPHPUNH0001561 **Date of Possession & Type** 16th May 2026, Symbolic Possession **Encumbranches known** Not Known	Demand Notice Date: 13.01.2026 Rs.20,98,958.00/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Ninety Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Eight Only) as on dated. 09-01-2026 under reference of Loan Account No. SHLHCHWD0000291 with further interest at the contractual rate, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.	Rs.34,94,400/- (Rupees Thirty Four Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Four Hundred Only) **Bid Increment:** Rs. 10,000/- and in such multiples. **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)(Rs.)** Rs. 3,49,440/- (Rupees Three Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty Only) **Last date for submission of EMD : 16thJuly, 2026 Time 10.00 a.m. to 05.00 p.m.**	17-JULY-2026 & Auction Time: 11.30 A.m. to 12.30 p.m.	Mayuresh Jadhav 9833017221 Ganapat Kavathekar 9764338822 Inspection Date: 18.06.2026 Time 12.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

Description of Property

All that consisting of FLAT NO. 2 admeasuring 320 Sq Ft. (carpet area), on the GROUND FLOOR in the Society known as Bhagvati Co-operative Housing Society", bearing Survey No.206/A situated at Mouje Shivaji Nagar Pune. Taluka Haveli. District Pune, which is within the local limits of Pune Municipal Corporation and within the jurisdiction of the office of the Sub-Registrar. Taluka Haveli. District PuneAnd Bounded As Under: (As Per Technical). East: Parking, South: Road, West: Road , North:Kale Plaza

1) **For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer the website of Truhome Finance Limited (Formerly Shriram Housing Finance Limited) website.**
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Property taken over under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 for Sale on "As Is Where Is Basis" "Whatever There is Basis" and "Without Recourse Basis".

Name of The Borrower and Guarantor's With Address	Branch	Amount Outstanding in lakh's	Date of Possession	Detailed description of the mortgaged assets	Reserve Price and EMD Rs. in lakhs
M/s Shree Sant Wamanbhau paper plet making udhyog, **Pro. Shinde Sachin Chagan,** At.Sadaphule vasti, behind the animal hospital, Jamkhed, Tq.Jamkhed, Dist.Ahilyanagar **A/c No.248/04** **Guarantor's :-** **1. Smt. Nikam Bebi Jyotinath 2. Shri. Shaikh Ershad Ekbal** Both will stay Sadaphule vasti, behind the animal hospital, Jamkhed, Tq.Jamkhed, Dist.Ahilyanagar	Jamkhed, Dist. Ahilyanagar	**Rs.14.53** Lakh's As on Date 31.05.2026 Plus Interest & Expenses thereon from 01.06.2026	15.05.2026	Below noted property Owned by **Smt.Nikam Bebi Jyotinath,** At.Jamkhed here city survey No.914/1, Municipal Council Jamkhed its property no. 2108/1997/2. The building slab and open space area are 25x 44 feet, with a total area of 1100 Sq.feet, and the entire construction including the building and open space is mortgaged. **Four Boundaries as under :-** East-Kashinath Sirsat, West-Nigude, South-East-west road, North- Gaikawad.	Rs.15.65 lakh's Rs. 1.57 lakh's

Note: Interested buyer will have to submit, A) KYC documents ie. Adhar card, Pancard to prove the identity., B) Deposit EMD (earnest money deposit) on Rs. 1.57 lakhs before 2.00 hours of actual action start timing by way of DD/Pay order of nationalized Bank or Scheduled Bank private or Co-Operative Bank drawn in favour of Authorized Officer, Shri Chhatrapati Rajarshi Shahu Urban Co-Op.Bank Ltd, Beed. C) Interested Parties may contact to Authorized Officer Shri G.B.Kadam Mobile No. 9881225570/7588022570 And Shri.Pawar M.A., Branch Manager Shri Chhatrapati Rajarshi Shahu Urban Co-Op.Bank Ltd, Beed Branch- Jamkhed, Dist. Ahilyanagar Land line No.02421-222154 and Mobile No.9422240765 up to date 13.07.2026 dally above hour for property inspection., D) The action date 14.07.2026, day Tuesday auction start time 11.30 AM, Place Shri Chhatrapati Rajarshi Shahu Urban Co-Op.Bank Ltd, Beed Branch- Jamkhed, Dist Ahilyanagar. E) Auction Terms and Conditions will be read out / told before 1 hour of auction timing at auction place and on auction date.

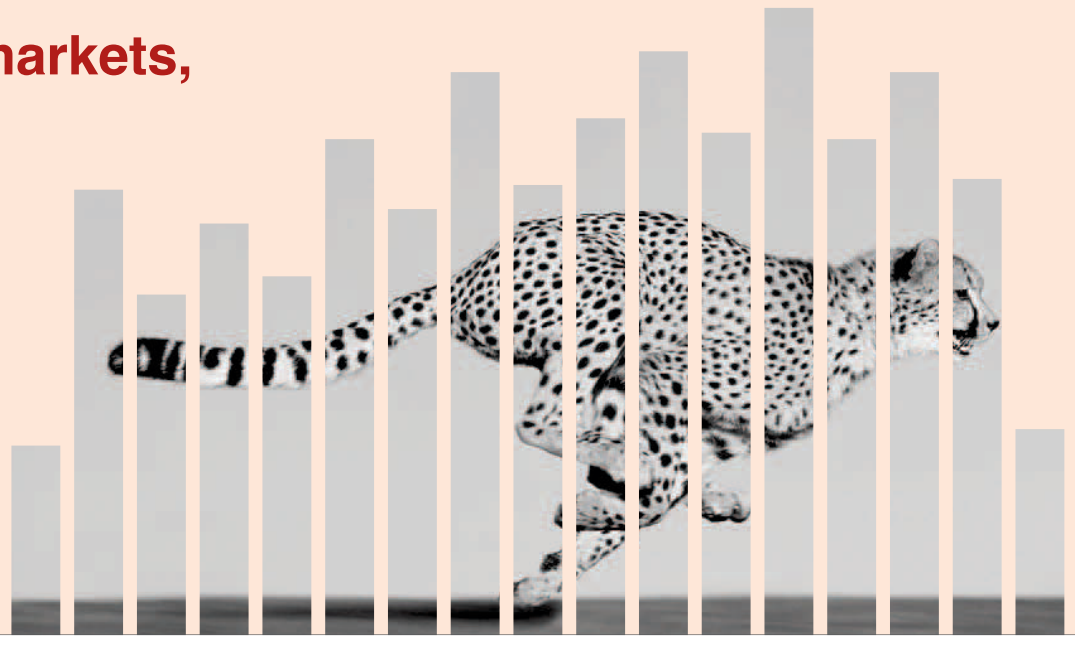
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