

Govt rolls out SOPs for pharma sector

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Lucknow: To boost pharmaceutical manufacturing and clinical research, the Uttar Pradesh govt has rolled out the first-ever standard operating procedure (SOP) for the pharmaceutical sector, an official spokesperson said on Tuesday. Claiming that the move aims to streamline processes related to drug production and clinical trials, he said the authorities envision UP as a key player in the global pharma landscape.

“As part of this initiative, 20 medical institutions across the state have been onboarded for clinical trials. These institutions will not only carry out the trials but also implement globally aligned protocols and undergo specialised training to ensure best practices,” he said. “A budget of Rs 9.5 crore has been sanctioned to facilitate building of a robust pharmaceutical innovation and testing ecosystem,” the spokesperson said.

“The strategy includes organising conferences with regional experts and medical education institutions to explore challenges and opportunities; developing standardised resources for certified pharmaceutical counselling; ensuring harmonisation of industry practices; conducting trainings on clinical trials and Good Clinical Practices for doctors and researchers in 20 medical colleges; and fostering strategic MoUs with institutions such as THSTI, AKTU, and BIRAC,” he said. TNN