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Paracetamol May Get Costlier Amid Iran War-Led Pharma Cost Shock



Paracetamol prices in India may soon rise sharply, as chemists and industry experts warn of a 30–40% increase in drug costs due to the ongoing Iran conflict. The crisis has disrupted global supply chains, significantly increasing the cost of pharmaceutical raw materials and active ingredients sourced via West Asia. Rising freight charges, shortage of shipping routes, and higher petrochemical prices have further escalated manufacturing costs. In some cases, medicine prices could increase by 15–40%, especially for commonly used drugs like paracetamol. Despite the cost pressure, no immediate shortages have been reported, but companies have started informing distributors about possible price revisions. The government is also considering policy interventions and duty relaxations to maintain affordability and ensure supply continuity.

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