PRESS COMMUNIQUE

Pharmacy Board

Online Sales of Pharmaceutical Products

- 1. It has been reported to the Pharmacy Board, Ministry of Health and Wellness that several transactions of Pharmaceutical products are being effected on digital platforms such as Whatsapp, Tik Tok and others. It has also been reported that many retail pharmacies are providing delivery services after requesting customers to order on WhatsApp.
- 2. As per section 17 (2) of the **Pharmacy Act 1983** "No person shall sell by retail any medicine or drug in any place other than a pharmacy".
- 3. As per section 41 of the same act "No person shall advertise any pharmaceutical product intended for human or veterinary use except in such technical or professional publications, as may be approved by the Board".
- 4. The Pharmacy Board wishes to point out that these platforms are not regulated under the Pharmacy Act.
- 5. The public is hereby being advised to refrain from buying pharmaceutical products from such online platforms.

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