

1. Government Intensifies Crackdown on GLP-1 Drug Misuse

- With **generic GLP-1 drugs flooding the market**, authorities have:
 - Inspected **49+ pharmacies/clinics**
 - Issued notices for **unauthorized sales & misleading promotion**
 - Key regulation:
 - Only specialists (endocrinologists, physicians, cardiologists) should prescribe
 - Risks highlighted:
 - Vomiting, pancreatitis, kidney injury, bowel obstruction
 - Clinical relevance:
 - Strong emphasis on **rational prescribing in diabetology & obesity care**
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2. New Oral GLP-1 Drug Approved Globally

- US FDA approved **oral GLP-1 agonist (Orforglipron)** for weight management.
 - Advantages:
 - Once-daily oral tablet
 - No strict fasting requirement (unlike semaglutide)
 - Impact:
 - Could significantly improve **patient compliance in obesity & T2DM**
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3. Expansion of Air Ambulance & Critical Care Transport

- Apollo Hospitals launched enhanced **air ambulance network**.
 - Features:
 - Faster inter-city & international patient transfer
 - Better access to **advanced tertiary care**
 - Trend:
 - Growing importance of **critical care logistics in India**
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4. Emergency Healthcare Strengthening Continues

- States continue adding:
 - **Advanced Life Support ambulances**
 - **Neonatal ICU transport units**
 - Objective:
 - Reduce delays in **emergency and neonatal care**
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5. Rural Healthcare Outreach Campaign Launched

- Maharashtra launched “**Mazhe Gaav, Aarogya Sampann Gaav**” campaign.
 - Focus:
 - Doorstep healthcare services
 - Free diagnostics (ECG, dialysis)
 - Strengthening primary healthcare
 - Significance:
 - Boost to **preventive and rural healthcare delivery**
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6. Global Health Awareness Day

- **World Autism Awareness Day** observed on April 2.
 - Aim:
 - Increase awareness about **Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)**
 - Promote early diagnosis & inclusive care
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7. Advancements in AI Trust in Medicine

- New research introduced **trust-based AI frameworks** for:
 - Radiology
 - Pathology diagnostics
- Key benefit:
 - Improves **reliability and acceptance of AI in clinical decision-making**