

# THE DOHA/TRIPS PARAGRAPH 6 SYSTEM: REFLECTIONS FOR GLOBAL HEALTH

SOUTH CENTRE SIDE EVENT AT THE WTO TRIPS COUNCIL:  
PARAGRAPH 6 OF THE DOHA DECLARATION ON TRIPS AND PUBLIC HEALTH:  
AN EFFECTIVE SOLUTION?  
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## TRIPS and public health

Events and briefing on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights, patents, and pharmaceuticals and public health – including discussions in the WTO's TRIPS Council.

- 2005: [Hong Kong Ministerial Declaration Paragraph 40 on TRIPS and Public Health](#)
- 2007: [Decision to extend deadline for accepting TRIPS Agreement amendment](#)
- 2009: [Decision to extend deadline for accepting TRIPS Agreement amendment](#)
- 2011: [Decision to extend deadline for accepting TRIPS Agreement amendment](#)
- 2013: [Decision to extend deadline for accepting TRIPS Agreement amendment](#)
- 2015: [Decision to extend deadline for accepting TRIPS Agreement amendment](#)
- 2015: [Decision on the Extension of the Transition Period under Article 66.1 of the TRIPS Agreement for Least-Developed Country Members for Certain Obligations with Respect to Pharmaceutical Products](#) adopted by the TRIPS Council on 6 November 2015. This Decision extends the earlier decision that was taken by the TRIPS Council in 2002 in order to implement paragraph 7 of the Doha Declaration on the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health. Least-developed countries will not have to protect pharmaceutical patents and test data until 1 January 2033.

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# Why More Indian Generic Drugs Will Make Their Way to the U.S.

By ED SILVERMAN

May 14, 2014 8:48 am ET

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Never mind the [FDA crackdown on Indian drug makers](#) for quality control problems.

Sales of prescription drugs to the U.S. by the Indian pharmaceutical industry likely won't

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# UNSG HIGH LEVEL PANEL ON ACCESS TO MEDICINES

“WTO Members should revise paragraph 6 decision in order to find a solution that enables a swift and expedient export of pharmaceutical products produced under compulsory license. WTO Members should, as necessary, adopt a waiver and permanent revision of the TRIPS Agreement to enable this reform.”

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- Risk of “institutional stickiness” – casting in stone undesirable rules
- 8y → 22+y of TRIPS; 2y → 13+y of Para 6





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