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1. Government has extended the term of DCGI V G Somani again by three months (Nov. 16, 2022)

The Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has again extended the term of the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) **Dr V G Somani** by another three months. The extension will come into effect from 15 November 2022.

He was earlier given an extension in August this year for three months. His extended term was to expire on 15 November 2022.

Dr Venugopal Girdharilal Somani played a key role in the approval of covid-19 vaccine, approval of lifesaving drugs and ensuring its quality in combating the covid-19 pandemic.

About DCGI (Drugs Controller General of India)

The Drugs Controller General of India is the head of the **Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation** under the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, CDSCO is responsible for approval of Drugs, Conduct of Clinical Trials, laying down the standards for Drugs, control over the quality of imported Drugs in the country

Drugs Controller General of India: **Venugopal Girdharilal Somani**

Headquarters: **New Delhi**