



WHAT IS PREVENTOL?

PREVENTOL is a hormonal method of contraception that can be used to prevent pregnancy after unprotected sexual intercourse. It consists of two oral pills, each containing 0.75mg Levonorgestrel.

WHY IS PREVENTOL NEEDED?

PREVENTOL is an important option for women who recently have had unprotected intercourse or a contraceptive failure and want to avoid pregnancy. Sexual assault culminating in intercourse is an important indication for use of PREVENTOL.

EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION REGIMENS

There are two kinds of regimens used in emergency contraception: the Levonorgestrel-only regimen and the combined estrogen-progestin regimen. PREVENTOL comes under the first regimen. Levonorgestrel-only pills are as effective as combined oral contraceptive pills and have fewer side effects. However, both these regimens do not disrupt an established pregnancy.

MODE OF ACTION

The exact mode of action of PREVENTOL is not known. Studies show that it prevents pregnancy by inhibiting or delaying ovulation, altering transport of sperm, ovum or embryo, interfering with corpus luteum function, preventing fertilization and inhibiting implantation.

EFFECTIVENESS

PREVENTOL reduces the risk of pregnancy from a single act of unprotected sexual intercourse by 85 percent.

INDICATIONS

- Not using any contraceptive method during intercourse
- Coitus interruptus / failed coitus interruptus
- Ejaculation on external genitalia
- Miscalculation of rhythm method (fertility awareness method/period abstinence)
- Condom rupture, dislodgement or misuse
- Diaphragm / cap inserted incorrectly, dislodged during intercourse, found to be torn or removed too early
- Missed oral contraceptive pills: PREVENTOL is indicated if two or more oral contraceptive pills are missed consecutively in a single-pill cycle
- Sexual assault culminating in rape

CONTRAINDICATIONS

- PREVENTOL may not prevent ectopic pregnancy (pregnancy in the tube or anywhere other than uterus)
- Hypersensitivity to Levonorgestrel
- Known or suspected pregnancy

PRESENTATION

Blister pack of two tablets