

Press Release

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana is making every effort to uncover a web of illegal activities that put public health at serious risk.

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials raided a medical shop at IS Sadan, Santosh Nagar, Hyderabad which is running illegally without a drug licence and seized huge stocks of medicines worth Rs. 3.20 lakhs.

Mohammed Iltefath Ahmed is running a medical shop illegally at IS Sadan, Santosh Nagar and selling drugs unlawfully without a drug licence. 111 varieties of medicines seized during the raid.

Seized **'habit-forming drugs'** including Alprazolam, Clonazepam, Chlordiazepoxide, Tramadol which are also found stocked for sale at the unlicensed premises.

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, on credible information regarding illegal sale of medicines, raided a shop located at D. No: 17-1-380/E/32, Shop No. 2, Central Excise Colony, IS Sadan, Santosh Nagar, Hyderabad on 25th January, 2024.

Mohammed Iltefath Ahmed is running a medical shop at the said premises illegally without a drug licence.

During the raid, DCA officers detected unauthorized stocking of huge quantity of medicines for sale. 111 varieties of medicines including habit-forming drugs, antibiotics, insulin injections, anti-viral drugs, anti-hypertensive

drugs, pain killer drugs, anti-ulcer drugs, cough syrups, antacids etc. are found stocked for sale at the premises.

Habit-forming drugs including Alprazolam, Clonazepam, Chlordiazepoxide, Tramadol are also found at the unlicensed premises.

DCA officials seized the stock of total worth **Rs. 3.20 lakhs** during the raid.

Smt. D. Saritha, Assistant Director, Secunderabad, Sri. G. Anil, Drugs Inspector, Malakpet, Sri. B. Govind Singh, Drugs Inspector, Secunderabad, Sri. B. Lakshminarayana, Drugs Inspector, Uppal and Smt. A. Rashmi, Drugs Inspector, Amberpet are among the officers who carried out the raid.

DCA officers lifted the samples for analysis. Further investigation shall be carried out and action shall be taken as per the law against all the offenders.

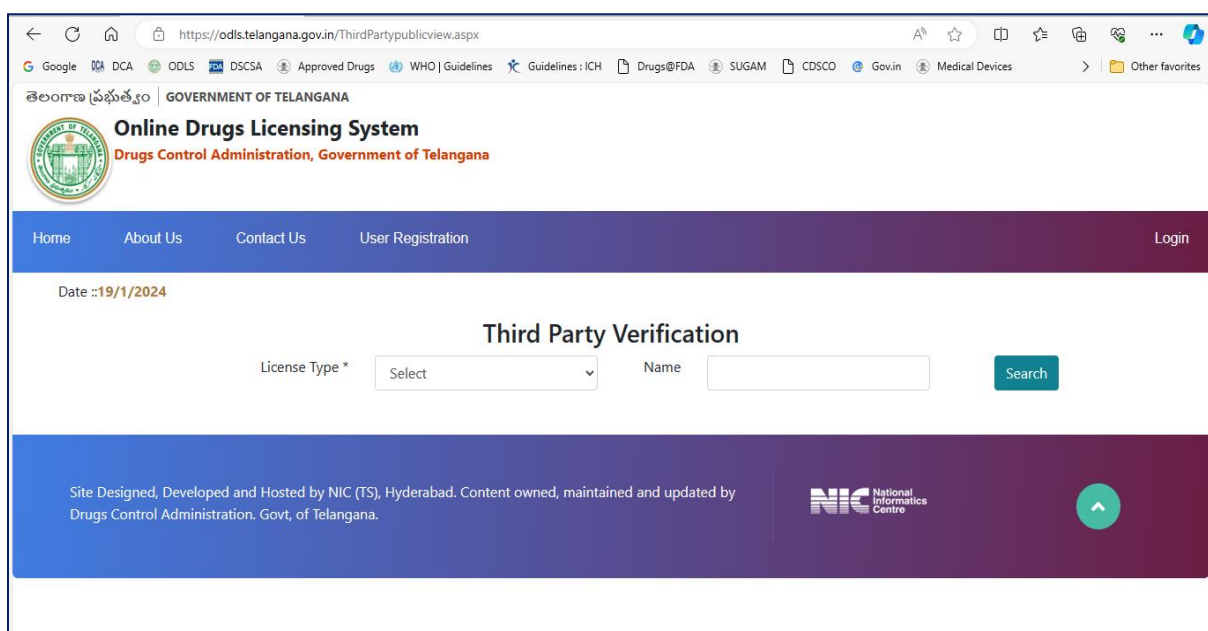
Drugs Control Administration, Telangana issues drug licences to medical shops/pharmacies in the State for stocking and selling of medicines as per the provisions of Drugs and Cosmetics Act. **Stocking of drugs for sale without a drug licence is punishable under Drugs and Cosmetics Act with an imprisonment up to five years.**

Wholesalers/Dealers who supply medicines to such 'illegal medical shops', which are running without a drug licence, are also punishable under Drugs and Cosmetics Act and stringent action shall be taken against such Wholesalers/Dealers. Wholesalers/Dealers shall mandatorily ensure that the medical shop/pharmacy holds a valid drug licence before supplying medicines to them.

Public should never buy medicines from ‘unlicensed’ medical shops. Risks to public are significantly increased when purchasing medicines from unlicensed and unregulated sources. Medicines shall be purchased only from licensed medical shops. [Medical shops display “drug licences issued by Drugs Control Administration, Telangana” conspicuously, in a prominent place in the shop, open to the public.](#) Selling of medicines without licence is an offence and medicines purchased from unlicensed premises are likely to be fake products.

Public may verify whether a medical shop/pharmacy holds a licence issued by Drugs Control Administration, Telangana or not through **‘Third Party Verification’**.

Public may enter the name of the pharmacy or medical shop in the ‘search box’ under ‘Third Party Verification’ of ODLS website <https://odls.telangana.gov.in/ThirdPartypublicview.aspx> and verify the details of the drug licences issued by Drugs Control Administration, Telangana to the medical shop/pharmacy, to check whether the medical shop/pharmacy is authorized to sell medicines or not.



Public may report any complaint through **Drugs Control Administration, Telangana Toll-Free Number 1800-599-6969** functional from 10.30 am to 5.00 pm on all working days.

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana has been constantly on the vigil and alert to detect unlicensed stocking and sale of medicines.

Surprise checks are intensified on such entities that are carrying out stocking and sale of drugs without any drug licence. Stringent action shall be taken as per the law against violators.

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