

Press Note

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized overpriced antifungal medicine 'GRISOVEL-FP 250 Tablets' (Griseofulvin Tablets IP 250mg) at Bhadrachalam – The MRP indicated is very high compared to the Ceiling Price fixed for the product by the Central Government.

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration officials seized 'GRISOVEL-FP 250 Tablets' (Griseofulvin Tablets IP 250mg), during the raids carried out on 3rd and 4th May, 2024, at a medical shop located in Bhadrachalam.

The product Griseofulvin Tablets 250mg sold under brand name 'GRISOVEL-FP 250 Tablets' is under price control as per Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 and the price of product shall be in accordance with the 'Ceiling Price' fixed by National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA), Government of India.

The product 'GRISOVEL-FP 250 Tablets' (Griseofulvin Tablets IP 250mg) of B. No. AGT309105, Mfg. Dt: 09/2023, Exp. Dt: 08/2026, Manufactured by: Alventa Pharma Ltd., Baddi, Solan, Himachal Pradesh, Marketed by: Elder Laboratories Ltd., Mumbai **bears MRP as Rs. 80/- for 10 tablets, on the label of the product** which is a violation of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013.

The Ceiling price fixed by the Central Government including Wholesale Price Index (WPI) for the product “Griseofulvin Tablets 250mg” is **Rs. 17.70 for 10 tablets (Ceiling Price).**

Hence Maximum Retail Price (MRP) i.e. including GST 12 % should not be more than **Rs. 19.82 for 10 tablets (MRP=Ceiling Price+GST)**

The firm overpriced the product. Firm charged **excess of Rs. 60.17 for one tablet** which is a violation of **Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013.**

Photograph of the Product Seized for Price Violation



Sri. G. Prasad, Assistant Director, Khammam and Sri. Ch. Sampath Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Bhadradri-Kothagudem are among the officers who carried out the raid.

Further investigation shall be carried out and action shall be taken as per the law against all the offenders.

The prices of Essential Medicines shall be in accordance with the Ceiling Prices fixed by the Central Government. Overpricing of essential medicines is a violation under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 and stringent action shall be taken as per the law against violators.

The public may report any complaints regarding illegal activities concerning medicines through the **Drugs Control Administration, Telangana Toll-Free Number 1800-599-6969**, which is operational from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm on all working days.

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