

## Press Note

**Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a quack's clinic and seized drugs worth Rs. 1.5 lakhs stocked for sale at Kodad, Suryapet District.**

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The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on 06<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 raided the premises of a quack Thota Prasad Babu, at H. No. 3-288/1/1, Nayanagar Main Road, Kodad, Suryapet District, who was claiming himself as a 'Rural Medical Practitioner' and practicing medicine without proper qualification at his clinic 'Sai Ram Poly Clinic'.

During the raid, DCA officials detected huge stocks of medicines found stocked at the premises without any drug license. 87 varieties of medicines, including antibiotics, analgesics, anti-ulcer drugs, anti-hypertensives, etc., were found stocked at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock, worth a total of Rs. 1.5 lakhs during the raid.

DCA officials detected several '**antibiotics**' at the clinic during the raid. Indiscriminate sale of antibiotics, by unqualified persons may have disastrous consequences on the health of rural public, including emergence of '**Antimicrobial Resistance**'.

Sri. G. Surender, Drugs Inspector, Suryapet carried out the raid under the supervision of Sri. K. Dass, Assistant Director, Nalgonda.

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

Wholesalers/Dealers who supply medicines to such unqualified persons, who are stocking and selling drugs without a drug license, are also punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, and stringent action shall be taken against such Wholesalers/Dealers. Wholesalers/Dealers shall mandatorily ensure that the recipient entities hold a valid drug license before supplying medicines to them.

The Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, issues drug licenses for the stocking and selling of medicines in accordance with the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act. **Stocking drugs for sale without a drug license is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, with imprisonment for up to five years.**

Surprise checks are intensified on such unqualified persons who are engaged in stocking and selling drugs without any drug license. Stringent action will be taken as per the law against violators.

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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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