

Press Note

A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a medical shop located at Makthal Town, Narayanpet District, which was operating illegally without a drug license. During the raid, DCA seized stocks worth Rs. 1.5 lakhs from the premises.

B) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a quack's clinic and seized drugs stocked for sale at Marepally Village, Kondapur Mandal, Sangareddy District.

C) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized 'Clamnil-CCM Tablets' in Kapra, Medchal-Malkajgiri District which were falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

A) Raid Conducted at Unlicensed Medical Shop in Makthal Town, Narayanpet District

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, acting on credible information regarding the illegal sale of medicines, raided a shop located at D.No. 5-224/9, Makthal town, Narayanpet Dist on 24th July, 2024. Shiva Raj was 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. **81 varieties** of medicines including antibiotics, steroids, anti-hypertensive drugs, analgesics, anti-ulcer drugs, anti-diabetic drugs etc. are found stocked for sale at the premises. **Expired drugs** were also found at the premises.

DCA officials seized the stock of total worth **Rs. 1.5 lakhs** during the raid.

Smt. Shaik Rabiya, Drugs Inspector, Mahbubnagar and Sri. S. Viswanth Reddy, Drugs Inspector, Nagarkurnool 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.

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.**

B) Seizure carried out at a quack's clinic in Marepally Village, Kondapur Mandal, Sangareddy District.

The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on 24th July, 2024 raided the premises of a quack Kamlesh Paul, at D. No. 1-101/A, Marepally Village, Kondapur Mandal, Sangareddy District, who was claiming himself as a 'Rural Medical Practitioner' and practicing medicine without proper qualification at his clinic.

During the raid, DCA officials detected huge stocks of medicines found stocked at the premises without any drug license. 20 varieties of medicines, including antibiotics, steroids, anti-ulcer drugs etc., were found stocked at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock, worth a total of Rs. 25,000/- during the raid.

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

Officials found '**steroids**' at the clinics of quacks. Misusing steroids can have serious health consequences, including immune system suppression, hormonal imbalances, muscle and bone weakness, cardiovascular problems, and psychological effects. The indiscriminate use of steroids poses significant risks to public health.

Sri. N. Ravikiran Reddy, Drugs Inspector, Sangareddy, Sri. G. Srikanth, Drugs Inspector, Jinnaram and Sri. M. Varaprasad, Drugs Inspector, Pashamylaram are among the officers who carried out the raid.

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.

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.

C) Seizure of drugs falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'

The details are as follows:

During the raids carried out on 24th and 25th July, DCA officials detected drugs falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

Drugs Control Administration officials of Quthbullapur Zone have detected the product '**Clamnil-CCM Tablets**' (**Calcium Citrate Maleate, Cholecalciferol & Folic Acid Tablets**) circulating in the market. These tablets were falsely manufactured under a 'food license (FSSAI license)' and falsely claimed to be a food product/nutraceutical.

The tablets were found to be illegally manufactured at **Alarise Nutripharm Pvt. Ltd.**, Plot No. 68, Sy. No. 568, Laxma Reddy Palem, Pedda Amberpeta, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy District and were being marketed by **Sunesta Life Sciences**, Kapra, Medchal-Malkajgiri District as a food product/nutraceutical.

As per the label claim of the product, it is classified as a 'drug' according to the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

The product '**Clamnil-CCM Tablets**' must be manufactured only under a 'drug license' issued under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, adhering strictly to the 'Good Manufacturing Practices' (GMP) outlined in Schedule-M of the Drugs Rules. Additionally, it must meet the quality standards prescribed in the 'Indian Pharmacopoeia' (IP) as mandated.

Sri. T. Shiva Teja, Drugs Inspector, Kapra and Sri. E. Naresh Reddy, Drugs Inspector, Balanagar are among the officers who carried out the raid at a medical shop in NFV Colony, Jawaharnagar Village, Kapra Mandal, Medchal - Malkajgiri District. Samples were lifted for analysis during the raids.

Photographs of the product falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'



The drugs that are falsely manufactured and sold under a food license are not produced in accordance with 'Good Manufacturing Practices' (GMPs) and often fail to meet the quality standards prescribed in the Indian Pharmacopoeia (IP). Such products pose serious risks to patients' health and may have severe implications.

Manufacturing and selling 'drugs' without a valid 'drug license' is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, with imprisonment for up to five years.

The public may report any suspected manufacturing activity related to drugs, including narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, in residential, commercial, or industrial areas, as well as any other 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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Photograph of Seizure carried out at an unlicensed medical shop in Makthal Town, Narayanpet District



**Photograph of Seizure carried out at Quack's Clinic in Marepally Village,
Kondapur Mandal, Sangareddy District**



**Photograph of Seizure carried out at Jawaharnagar Village, Kapra Mandal,
Medchal - Malkajgiri District – Drugs as Nutraceuticals**


