

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA DRUGS CONTROL ADMINISTRATION



Press Note

- A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized certain medicines due to misleading advertisements:
 - 1. Pathri Saaf Capsules and Syrup, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat 'Kidney Stones' seized in Narsingi, Rangareddy District.
 - 2. Ague Nil Syrup, a Homeopathic medicine, claimed to treat 'Fever' seized in Khammam.
- B) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided the clinic of a Homeopathic practitioner and seized allopathic drugs stocked for sale at Puranapool, Hyderabad.

A) Seizure of drugs for misleading advertisements:

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, detected certain medicines circulating in the market with misleading claims on their labels, stating that they treat 'Kidney Stones' and Fever'. Such claims are in contravention of the Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954.

Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954 prohibits advertisement of certain drugs for treatment of certain diseases and disorders. No person shall take part in publication of advertisement regarding

the diseases/disorders indicated under Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954.

During the special drive conducted on 25th and 26th July to detect medicines moving in the market with misleading and objectionable advertisements, the following products were detected by DCA officials:

Drugs Inspector, Gandipet detected Pathri Saaf Capsules and Syrup, an Ayurvedic medicine, Manufactured by: Laborate Pharmaceuticals India Ltd. 101, Assandh — Kohand Road, VPO-Salwan, Dist. Karnal, Haryana. The product label bears a misleading claim stating that it treat 'Kidney Stones'. Stocks of the medicines were seized during the raid conducted at a medical shop in Narsingi, Rangareddy District.

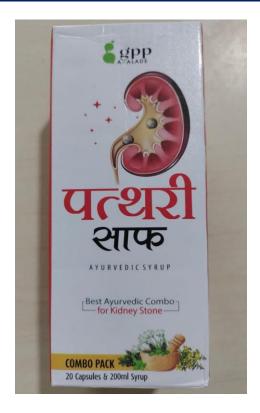
Drugs Inspector, Khammam detected **Ague Nil Syrup**, a Homoeopathic medicine, **Manufactured by:** Bhargava Phyto Labs Pvt. Ltd., Bhiwadi, Rajasthan. The product label bears a **misleading claim** stating that it treats **'Fever'**. Stocks of the medicines were seized during the raid conducted at a medical shop in Khammam.

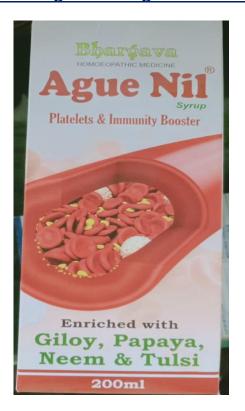
Advertising a medicine for the treatment of 'Kidney Stones' and 'Fever' is prohibited under the Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954.

Smt. D. Swetha Bindu, Drugs Inspector, Gandipet and Sri. Ch. Anil Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Khammam are among the officers who carried out the raids.

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

Photographs of the products seized for making misleading advertisements





Persons who make misleading advertisements regarding drugs for treatment of certain diseases and disorders are punishable under Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954, with imprisonment which may extend to six months, or with fine, or with both.

B) Seizure carried out at the clinic of a homeopathic practitioner in Puranapool, Hyderabad.

The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on July 25th, 2024, raided the clinic of a homeopathic practitioner, Chavan Vinod, at D. No. 20-1612/613, K. Tatti, Puranapool, Hyderabad, who was stocking and selling allopathic drugs without a drug license.

During the raid, DCA officials detected huge stocks of allopathic medicines found stocked at the premises without any drug license. 10 varieties of medicines were found stocked at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock, worth a total of Rs. 24,000 during the raid.

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

Smt. B. Lakshmi, Drugs Inspector, Charminar carried out the raid under the supervision of Sri. T. Rajamouli, Assistant Director, Hyderabad.

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.

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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Photographs of Seizures conducted for Misleading Advertisements

At Narsingi, Rangareddy District:



At Khammam:



<u>Photograph - Seizure carried out at the clinic of a homeopathic practitioner in Puranapool, Hyderabad.</u>