

Press Note

A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized '**Neurocad-G Tablets**' (Gabapentin and Methylcobalamin Tablets) in **Tandur, Vikarabad District** which were falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

B) In separate events, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized certain medicines due to misleading advertisements:

1. **Kineaz Oil**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat '**Rheumatoid Arthritis**'.
2. **Stone Crush Ras**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat '**Kidney Stones**'.
3. **Gementis Stone Removal Syrup**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat '**Kidney Stones**'.
4. **Dengue Aid**, a Homeopathic medicine, claimed to treat '**Fevers**'.
5. **Roughan Haft Barg**, a Unani medicine, claimed to treat '**Rheumatism**'.

A) 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 28th and 29th August, DCA officials detected drugs falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

Drugs Control Administration officials detected the product '**Neurocad-G Tablets**' (Gabapentin and Methylcobalamin Tablets) circulating in the market. The product has been claimed to contain Gabapentin 300 mg and Methylcobalamin 500 mcg. These tablets were falsely manufactured under a

'food license (FSSAI license)' and falsely claimed to be a food product/nutraceutical.

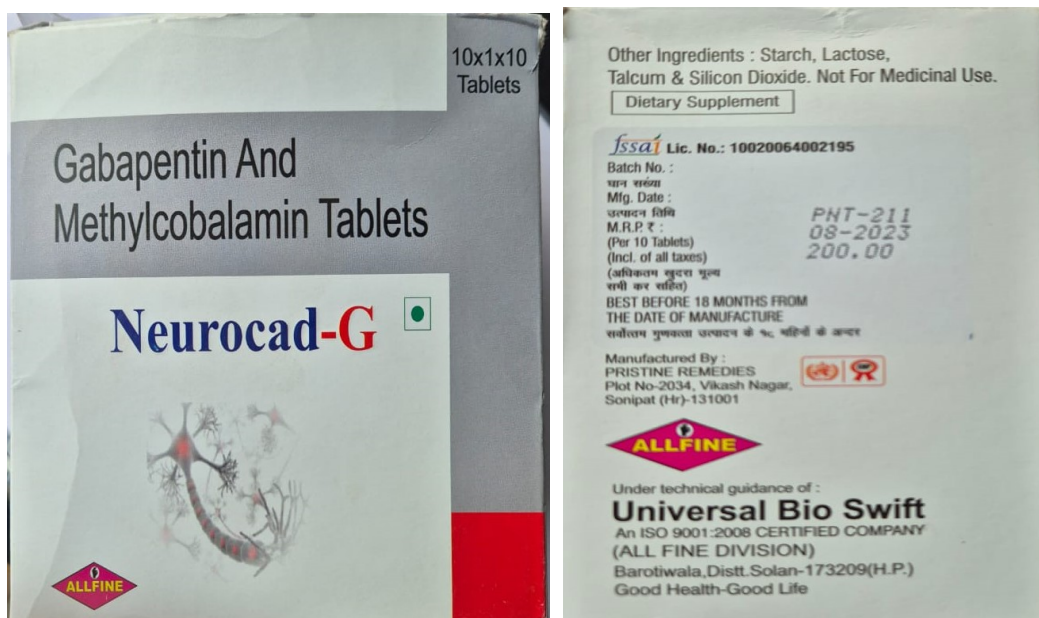
The tablets were found to be illegally manufactured at Pristine Remedies, Plot No. 2034, Vikash Nagar, Sonipat - 1310012 and claimed to be manufactured under the technical guidance of Universal Bio Swift, Barotiwala, Dist. Solan-173209 as a food product/nutraceutical.

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

The product '**Neurocad-G 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. A.N. Kranthi Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Vikarabad carried out the raid and seized the drugs at a medical shop in Tandur. 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.

B) 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 **'Rheumatoid Arthritis', 'Rheumatism', '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 28th and 29th August to detect medicines moving in the market with misleading and objectionable advertisements, the following products were detected by DCA officials:

Product	Misleading Claim	Manufactured by	Detected at
Kineaz Oil (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Rheumatoid Arthritis	Atrimed Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., Karnataka	Nacharam Village, Medchal-Malkajgiri District
Stone Crush Ras (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Kidney Stones	Medwin Pharmatech, Indore	Kokapet, Rangareddy District
Gementis Stone Removal (Ayurvedic)	Kidney Stones	Kozmekare, Private Limited, Karnal Haryana	Athmakur Village, Yadadri-Bhuvanagiri

Medicine)			District
Dengue Aid (Homoeopathic Medicine)	Fever	Bakson Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., Roorkee, Haridwar	Gadwal
Roughan Haft Barg (Unani medicine)	Rheumatism	Baitul Advia, Aliabad, Hyderabad	Jubilee Hills

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

Photographs of the products seized for making misleading advertisements



Smt. G. Indira Priyadarshini, Drugs Inspector, Habsiguda, Smt. D. Swetha Bindu, Drugs Inspector, Gandipet, Sri. J. Ashwin Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Yadadri-Bhuvanagiri, Smt. A. Rashmi, Drugs Inspector, Jogulamba-Gadwal, and Smt. Ch. Swapna, Drugs Inspector, Jubilee Hills 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.

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.

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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