

Press Note

A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana busted the unlicensed manufacturing of cosmetics at **Mangalhat, Hyderabad**. A firm named **Mohsin Industries** manufactured cosmetics, namely **Mehendi Cones (Henna Paste)**, under the brand name **‘Dulhan Special Karachi Mehendi Cones,’** without holding a cosmetic manufacturing license.

B) In a separate event, the Drugs Control Administration of Telangana seized **misbranded cosmetics (hair colours)**: **Beaute Blanc Fruit Vinegar Natural Blanc Hair Colour** and **B & B Beaire Blanc Argan Oil Hair Colour Gel**, in **Nalgonda**. These products, which are claimed to be manufactured in **China**, are suspected to be spurious cosmetics.

C) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana **raided a quack’s clinic** and seized drugs stocked for sale at **Surampalle Village, Doultabad Mandal, Siddipet District**.

D) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized **‘Ferrvis-XT Tablets’ (Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid and Zinc Tablets)** in **Domadugu Village, Gummadidala Mandal, Sangareddy District** which were falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of **‘food products/nutraceuticals’**.

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

- a) **Sri Sri Tattva Go Amruth**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat **‘Leprosy’**.
- b) **Feverol 99 Syrup**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat **‘Fever’**.
- c) **FeverGuard Ayurvedic Syrup**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat **‘Fever’**.

A) Busting of unlicensed manufacturing of cosmetics at Mangalhat, Hyderabad:

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, acting on gathered intelligence, raided an unlicensed manufacturing facility named **Mohsin Industries** located at D. No.: 13-1-1233/149/A, Natraj Nagar, Mangalhat, Hyderabad on 30th August. During the raid, officers detected unlicensed manufacturing of cosmetics 'Mehendi (Henna) Cones'.

Cosmetics can only be manufactured under a 'Cosmetics Licence' issued by the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, in premises equipped with facilities complying with Good Manufacturing Practices and other requirements for cosmetics manufacturing, adhering to the standards set forth by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

The cosmetics 'Mehendi Cones' must conform to the Indian Standards for Cosmetics laid down by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) IS 17318:2020. Synthetic dyes such as 'Picramic Acid' are prohibited from being added to Henna as per BIS standards.

During the raid, DCA officials seized large quantities of cosmetics, including Mehendi Cones (Henna Paste) manufactured under the brand name '**Dulhan Special Karachi Mehendi Cones.**'

DCA officers also collected samples for testing during the raid, particularly for the presence of 'Picramic Acid,' a synthetic dye prohibited for use in henna cones. Further investigation will be conducted, and appropriate action will be taken against all offenders in accordance with the law.

Sri. V. Ajay, Drugs Inspector, Goshamahal and Sri. P. Santosh, Drugs Inspector, Mehdipatnam were among the officers who carried out the raid.

Cosmetics manufactured at unlicensed facilities may not meet the quality standards prescribed by BIS, and these products may pose serious implications for public health.

Cosmetic items lacking details of a 'License' on the label suggest they have been produced at unlicensed facilities, potentially containing ingredients harmful to public health.

Photographs of the cosmetics seized at Mohsin Industries, Mangalhat, Hyderabad



B) Seizure of Misbranded Cosmetics in Nalgonda

The details are as follows:

Based on credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials of Nalgonda zone raided Tawakkal Scissors Grinding Works & AF Cosmetics, located behind 1 Town Police Station in Nalgonda and seized **misbranded cosmetics (hair colours)**, including **Beaute Blanc Fruit Vinegar Natural Blanc Hair Colour** and **B & B Beaire Blanc Argan Oil Hair Colour Gel**.

During the raids carried officials seized hair colours: **Beaute Blanc Fruit Vinegar Natural Blanc Hair Colour**, labeled as manufactured by Gaung Do Rong Sheng Bio-Technology Co. Ltd., 210 Complex Building C, Xiaojing Village, Leping Town, Sanshui District, Foshan City, Guangdong Province, China and **B & B Beaire Blanc Argan Oil Hair Colour Gel**, labeled as manufactured by Guangzhou Aocal Bio-Technology Co. Ltd., 1st and 2nd Floor of Building, D.No. 10#, Shifong Gang Industry, Chang Yao, Ling Village, Zhong Luo Tan Town, Baiyun District, Guangzhou, China.

The cosmetics were labeled as imported by Kesari Distributors, D.No. 18/30, II Floor, Perumal Mudali Street, Sowcarpet, Chennai-600001, Tamil Nadu, India, and marketed by Kosmos Global, No. 6, 1st Floor, Ravanier Street, Park Town, Chennai-600001, Tamil Nadu.

Photographs of Misbranded Cosmetics seized in Nalgonda



The products are deemed to be misbranded because import license numbers are not imprinted on them, and they are suspected of being spurious.

Sri. K. Dass, Assistant Director, Nalgonda and Sri. G. Surender, Drugs Inspector, Nalgonda were among the officers who carried out the raid.

Further investigation will be conducted, and appropriate legal action will be taken against all offenders in accordance with the law.

C) Seizure carried out at a quack's clinic in Surampalle Village, Doultabad Mandal, Siddipet District.

The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on 30th August, 2024 raided the premises of a quack K. Bal Narsimhulu, at Door No. 1-2/8, Surampalle Village, Doultabad Mandal, Siddipet 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. 15 varieties of medicines, including antibiotics, analgesics, IV fluids etc., were found stocked at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock, worth a total of Rs. 50,000/- 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**'.

Smt. S. Vinay Sushmi, Drugs Inspector, Siddipet and Smt. P. Chandrakala, Drugs Inspector, Medak 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.

D) 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 30th and 31st August, DCA officials detected drugs falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

Drugs Control Administration officials detected the product '**Ferrvis-XT Tablets**' (**Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid and Zinc Tablets**) circulating in the market. The product has been claimed to contain Ferrous Ascorbate 100 mg, Folic Acid 1.5 mg and Zinc Sulfate Monohydrate 22.5 mg. These tablets were falsely

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

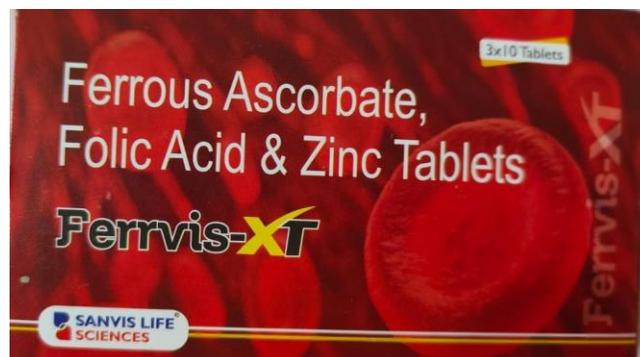
The tablets were found to be illegally manufactured at Ridge Formulations Pvt. Ltd., Solan, Himachal Pradesh and marketed by Sanvis Life Sciences, Hyderabad as a food product/nutraceutical.

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

The product '**Ferrvis-XT 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. G. Srikanth, Drugs Inspector, Jinnaram carried out the raid and seized the drugs at a medical shop in Domadugu Village, Gummadidala Mandal, Sangareddy District. Samples were lifted for analysis during the raids.

Photograph 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.

E) 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 **Leprosy and Fevers (in general)**. 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 30th and 31st 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
Sri Sri Go Amruth (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Leprosy	Sriveda Sattva Pvt. Ltd., 21st Km, Kanakapura Road, Udayapura, Bangalore (South),- 560082, Karnataka	Hanumakonda
Feverol 99 Syrup (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Fever	Maharshi Badri Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., Jaipur, Rajasthan	Bodhan, Nizamabad District
FeverGuard Ayurvedic Syrup (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Fever	Vedic Ayurcure Health and Retails Private Limited, Haryana	Kothur Village, Ranga Reddy District

Advertising a medicine for the treatment of **Leprosy and Fevers (in general)** is prohibited under the Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954.

Sri. Kiran Kumar Jannu, Drugs Inspector, Hanumakonda, Smt. R. Srilatha, Drugs Inspector, Nizamabad Rural and Sri. K. Anvesh, Drugs Inspector, Shabad 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.

Photographs of the products seized for making misleading advertisements



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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