

Press Note

A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana has busted an illegal sale of steroid drugs to gym-goers for bodybuilding in Hyderabad.

DCA raided an unlicensed premises operating under the name 'Rakesh Distributor' at **Esamiya Bazar, Koti, Hyderabad**. The premises was operating illegally without a drug license. During the raid, the DCA seized a substantial quantity of '**Steroid medicines**'. Stocks worth **Rs. 2 lakhs** were seized during the raid.

The steroid drugs were being sold illegally to gym-goers for abuse in bodybuilding.

B) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided Srikanth Neurocentre, a hospital located in Miyapur, Rangareddy District, which was operating a medical shop illegally without a drug license. During the raid, DCA seized stocks worth Rs. 1.01 lakhs from the premises.

A) DCA Busts Illegal Sale of Steroid Drugs to Gym-Goers for Bodybuilding in Hyderabad

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, acting on credible information regarding the illegal sale of steroid medicines to gym-goers, raided an **unlicensed premises** operating under the name 'Rakesh Distributor,' located

at H.No. 4-6-489/4, Esamiya Bazar, Koti, Hyderabad, operated by Rakesh Kanodia, on 18th September 2024 and 19th September 2024.

During the raid, DCA officers detected an unauthorized stock of a large quantity of **steroid medicines** for sale. **22 varieties** of steroid medicines, including **androgen and anabolic steroids**, were found stocked for sale at the premises, indicating the potential for abuse of steroid medicines.

The abuse of androgen and anabolic steroids poses significant health risks. These drugs, often misused by bodybuilders to enhance muscle growth, can lead to a range of adverse effects, including cardiovascular issues, liver damage, mood swings, and hormonal imbalances. Moreover, long-term abuse can result in severe health complications such as infertility, kidney failure, and psychiatric disorders.

DCA officials seized a stock worth a total of **Rs. 2 lakhs** from Rakesh Kanodia during the raid.

Sri. V. Ajay, Drugs Inspector, Goshamahal, and Sri. P. Santosh, Drugs Inspector, Mehdipatnam, were 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.

B) Raid Conducted at Srikanth Neurocentre in Miyapur, Rangareddy District

The details are as follows:

Officials from the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, acting on credible information regarding the illegal stocking and sale of medicines,

raided Srikanth Neurocentre, a hospital located at Flat No. 101, RBR Complex, Opposite K.S. Bakers, Miyapur, Serilingampally, Rangareddy District, on the 18th and 19th of July, 2024. Dr. Boini Srikanth Yadav was found to be illegally operating a medical shop in the hospital without a valid drug licence.

During the raid, DCA officers detected unauthorized stocking of huge quantity of medicines for sale. **31 varieties** of medicines were found stocked for sale at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock of total worth **Rs. 1.01 lakhs** during the raid.

Smt. A. Shylaja Rani, Drugs Inspector, Serilingampally and Sri. D. Swetha Bindu, Drugs Inspector, Gandipet 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 unlicensed entities, 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 and selling drugs without a drug license is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, with imprisonment of 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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A) Photograph of the seizure of steroid medicines carried out at Esamiya Bazar, Koti, Hyderabad



B) Photograph of the Raid Conducted at Srikanth Neurocentre in Miyapur, Rangareddy District


