

# GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA DRUGS CONTROL ADMINISTRATION



### Press Note

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, seized a banned drug, 'L-Arginine & Sildenafil Softgel Capsules', in Karimnagar.

The drug combination, L-Arginine + Sildenafil, which was banned by the Government of India, was illegally manufactured by Broad Injectables, Tahliwal, Una, Himachal Pradesh, and marketed by Pharmakon Gynaecology Care, Karnal, Haryana, under the brand name 'L-PNARG-SID Softgel Capsules'. The banned drug was detected in a medical shop in Karimnagar by Drugs Control Administration officials, and the stock was seized.

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The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, detected a banned medicine **'L-Arginine & Sildenafil Softgel Capsules'**, circulating illegally in the market and seized the stocks.

Based on intelligence gathered regarding the circulation of banned drugs, officials from the Drugs Control Administration, Karimnagar Zone, conducted a raid on a medical shop in Karimnagar. During the raid, they detected a banned drug, L-PNARG-SID Softgel Capsules (L-Arginine & Sildenafil Softgel Capsules), illegally manufactured by Broad Injectables, Tahliwal, Una, Himachal Pradesh, and marketed by Pharmakon Gynaecology Care, Karnal, Haryana. In the year 2018, the Government of India banned the drug combination L-Arginine + Sildenafil in the larger public interest. This prohibition was enacted <u>due to the potential risks posed to human health</u> by this fixed-dose combination, which was found to lack therapeutic justification.

The Government of India prohibited the manufacture for sale, sale, and distribution for human use of this drug combination in the country on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.



### Photographs of the banned drug seized

Sri. M. Srinivasulu, Assistant Director, Karimnagar and Sri. P. Karthik Bharadwaj, Drugs Inspector, Karimnagar are among the officers who carried out the raid.

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

The manufacturing and sale of prohibited drugs (banned drugs), is a grave offence. To combat this issue, surprise checks are being intensified to detect the circulation of banned drugs in the market. Stringent action will be taken as per the law against violators.

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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 of Banned Drugs in Karimnagar



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