

Press Note

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, has maintained a vigilant stance, actively monitoring and detecting various offences related to the illegal stocking and sale of drugs by quacks and unlicensed practitioners, as well as medical shops and godowns operating without a valid drug licence. It has also been focused on curbing the illegal sale of banned drugs, steroids, and cardiac stimulant drugs that are misused by gym-goers for bodybuilding. Furthermore, DCA has seized drugs that were falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

During the raids conducted from **1st to 30st September, 2024**, DCA seized stocks worth **Rs. 19.35 lakhs.**

From **1st to 30st September, 2024**, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, carried out **54 seizures** related to various offences involving medicines.

Sl. No.	Nature of Violation found	No. of Detections/Seizures
1)	Unlicensed Medical Shops and Godowns/illegal sale of steroids/cardiac stimulants by individuals	09
2)	Quacks with Unlicensed Stocking and Sale of Drugs	26
3)	Drugs Manufactured and Sold as Food Products or Nutraceuticals	14
4)	Unlicensed Manufacturing	01
5)	Physician's Samples/Expired Drugs/Institutional Supply Drugs	03
6)	Banned Drugs	01
Total Seizures		54

- Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, on 2nd September, 2024, raided the retail outlet Kandar Medicals located in the premises of Kandar Diabetic Centre in Tarnaka, Secunderabad, and seized **Physician's Samples and Expired Drugs** that were illegally stocked for sale. Stocks worth **Rs. 55,000** were seized during the raid.
- DCA, on 4th September, raided an **unlicensed godown** in Sangareddy and seized a huge stock of medicines worth **Rs. 4 lakhs** that were illegally stocked for sale.
- DCA, on 09th September, busted the **unlicensed manufacturing of the product 'Glycoril Cough Syrup'** (Terbutaline Sulphate, Ambroxol HCl, Guaiphenesin & Menthol Syrup) at the manufacturing unit Akhil Life Sciences, located in Prashanth Nagar, IDA, Kukatpally, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, and seized stocks worth **Rs. 65,000** during the raid. Akhil Life Sciences was engaged in the unauthorized manufacturing of 'Glycoril Cough Syrup' without the requisite drug license for the product.
- On 18th September, DCA 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 from Rakesh Kanodia. The steroid drugs were being sold illegally to gym-goers for abuse in bodybuilding.
- DCA, on 27th September, 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.

- DCA, on 27th September, seized cardiac stimulant drug, '**Mephentermine Sulphate Injection,**' illegally stocked and sold to gym-goers for abuse in **bodybuilding at exorbitant prices**. The said injections are being supplied for abuse by Atif Khan, resident of Asifnagar and Ajay Singh, resident of Karwan. During the raids, officers seized 210 vials of Mephentermine Injections, with a total worth of **Rs. 65,000/-**. Certain gyms are illegally selling Mephentermine Injection to gym-goers who misuse it to improve physical performance in competitive sports or bodybuilding. Abuse of Mephentermine Sulphate Injections can result in various adverse effects, including psychosis, cardiovascular disorders, and the development of tolerance and dependence over time.

Raids carried out at Medical Shops Operating Illegally Without a Drug Licence:

Sl. No.	Date of Seizure	Seized at:	Details
1.	19-09-2024	Miyapur, Rangareddy District	Dr. Boini Srikanth Yadav illegally operating a medical shop in Srikanth Neurocentre, a hospital located at Flat No. 101, RBR Complex, Opposite K.S. Bakers, Miyapur, Serilingampally,

		Rangareddy District. Seized 31 varieties of allopathic drugs, worth Rs. 1.01 lakhs seized during the raid.
2.	19-09-2024 Nagulbanda, Falaknuma, Hyderabad	Raided shop located at D. No. 18-2-120/57, Nagulbanda, Falaknuma, Hyderabad on 24 th September, 2024. Mohammed Ayub Pasha was running a medical shop at the said premises illegally without a drug licence. 23 varieties of medicines are found stocked for sale at the premises. Seized the stock of total worth Rs. 32,000 during the raid
3.	26-09-2024 Jawahar Nagar Village, Kapra Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District	Raided a shop located at D. No. 11-6/1, Malkaram, Church Colony, Jawahar Nagar Village, Kapra Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District. Danthuri Shiva kumar was running a medical shop 'Sri Vigneswara Medical and General Stores' at the said premises illegally without a drug licence. 36 varieties of medicines are found stocked for sale at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock of total worth Rs. 30,000 during the raid
4.	27-09-2024 Nethaji Chowk, Adilabad	Raided a medical shop located at D.No. 4-2-198/13/13, Nethaji Chowk, Adilabad District on 27 th September, 2024. M. Mallikarjun was running a medical shop 'Adarsh Medicals' at the said premises illegally without a drug licence. 20 varieties of medicines are found stocked for sale at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock of total worth Rs. 40,000 during the raid.

The Drugs Control Administration of Telangana issues drug licences to medical shops and pharmacies in the state for stocking and selling medicines as per the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act. **Stocking drugs for sale**

without a drug licence is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act with imprisonment of up to five years.

Wholesalers and dealers who supply medicines to illegal medical shops operating without a drug licence are also punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act. Stringent action shall be taken against such wholesalers and dealers. It is mandatory for wholesalers and dealers to ensure that the medical shop or pharmacy holds a valid drug licence before supplying medicines to them.

Seizures Conducted at Clinics of Quacks/Unauthorized Practitioners:

Drugs Control Administration of Telangana conducted raids on clinics operated by **quacks and unauthorized practitioners**, seizing illegally stocked drugs worth **Rs. 9.16 lakhs** intended for sale at various locations across the State

Sl. No.	Date of Raid	Name of the Quack/Unauthorized Practitioner	Address of the premises	Varieties of medicines found stocked
1.	23 rd September	MD. Nawaj Miya	H. No. 2-76, Pangal Post, Pangal Mandal, , Wanaparthy District	28 varieties
2.	23 rd September	Batti Srinivas Goud	H. No. 1-188, Nidugurthy Village, Narayanpet District.	30 varieties
3.	24 th September	K. Laxminarayana	Konne Village, Bachannapet Mandal, Jangaon District	34 varieties
4.	25 th September	Vasantpur Ravikumar	Door No. 3-88,	20 varieties

			Velgonda Village, Bijinapalle Mandal, Nagarkurnool District	
5.	26 th September	Khadar Pasha	H. No. 6-1-89/4/E, Ganesh Nagar, Mahabubnagar Town, Mahabubnagar District	53 varieties and 2 varieties of Physician's Samples, and 1 Expired Drug.
6.	26 th September	Arun Kumar Das	Balaji Doctor Clinic, D. No 8-2-613/90, Uday Nagar, Road No. 11, Banjara Hills	50 varieties
7.	26 th September	Bathula Laxmaiah	D.No. 7-65/A547, Gungal Village, Yacharam Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	24 varieties and 20 varieties of Physician's Samples
8.	26 th September	A. Srikanth	D. No: 1-1-923, Korutla Town, Jagtial District	40 varieties
9.	26 th September	Bakkolla Ramaswamy Goud	D. No. 3-134, Jewla (b) Village, Tanoor Mandal, Nirmal District	21 varieties
10.	26 th September	Janagam Satheesh	D. No. 2-107/1, Sathyanarayanapuram Village, Cherla Mandal, Bhadradri- Kothagudem District	29 varieties
11.	27 th September	Mullagiri Ravi	D. No. 3-63/3, Majeedpur Village, Abdullapurmet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	31 varieties
12.	27 th September	Kurimilla Venu kumar	Nandini First Aid Clinic, D. No. 3-4-645, Indira Nagar, New Raipura,	27 varieties and 5 varieties of Physician's Samples

				Hanumakonda Mandal, Hanumakonda District
13.	27 th September	Yedugani Venkateshwar	D. No.3-5-25, Kotagalli, Nizamabad	30 varieties
14.	27 th September	Kanchi Dhanunjai	D. No. 1-70/1, Lakkora Village, Velpur Mandal, Nizamabad District	31 varieties
15.	27 th September	Poleboina Bikshapathi	D. No. 3-88, Dattappaguda Village, Mothkur Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District	26 varieties
16.	27 th September	T. Raja Babu	Plot No.89, Banjara Colony, Hayath Nagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	15 varieties
17.	27 th September	Guduru Srinivasa Reddy	D. No. 8-03, Kurnavally Village, Thallada Mandal, Khammam District	25 varieties
18.	27 th September	Anantha Sudharshan Reddy	AS Reddy Clinic, D.No. 4-84/A, Old Bowenpally Village, Balanagar Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District	16 varieties
19.	28 th September	Chandurupally Ramu	D. No: 2-4-663/4 to 7, Shop No. 2, Prashanthi Nilayam, Ground Floor, Road No.9/A, Nagole Village, Uppal Mandal, Medchal - Malkajgiri District	25 varieties
20.	28 th September	Vishal Yadav	D.No. 2-71/7, Shutter No. 7, Madaram Village, Jinnaram	12 varieties

			Mandal, Sangareddy District	
21.	28 th September	T. Rajeshwar	D. No. 5-7/1, Secretariat Colony, Puppalguda, Manikonda, Gandipet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District	25 varieties
22.	28 th September	Gandhasiri Ravi	Mannegudem Village, Dornakal Mandal, Mahabubabad District.	56 varieties
23.	28 th September	Syed Lathif	Meenajipet Village, Wargal Mandal, Siddipet District	21 varieties
24.	28 th September	Rajat Biswas	Manasa First Aid Center, D. No. 5-28-550, Sai Baba Nagar, Suraram Village, Quthbullapur Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District	27 varieties
25.	29 th September	Gundagani Nagaraju	D. No.1-76, B.C. Colony, Vardhamanukota Village, Nagaram Mandal, Suryapet District	23 varieties
26.	30 th September	Pawar Kushan	Jai Hanuman Aminiya Clinic, D.No.7-11 , Temple road, Kandi Village, Sangareddy District	16 varieties

DCA officials detected several '**antibiotics**' viz. Meropenem, Cefadroxil, Cefixime, Cefpodoxime, Amoxycillin, Ampicillin, Cloxacillin, Ofloxacin etc. 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'**.

Officials found **'steroids'** viz. Hydrocortisone Injections, Prednisolone, Dexamethasone Injections etc. at clinics of quacks. Misusing steroids can have serious health consequences, including immune system suppression, hormonal imbalances, muscle and bone weakness, cardiovascular problems, and psychological effects. The indiscriminate use of steroids poses significant risks to public health.

Wholesalers/Dealers who supply medicines to such unqualified persons/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 drugs for sale without a drug license is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, with imprisonment for up to five years.

Seizure of Drugs Falsely Manufactured and Sold as 'Food Products/Nutraceuticals':

During the raids, DCA seized **fourteen** drugs that were falsely manufactured and sold as nutraceuticals.

Sl. No.	Date of Seizure	Seized at	Drugs Seized
1.	24-09-2024	Sirpur, Kumuram Bheem Asifabad District	Pedi Zinc Syrup (Zinc Gluconate Syrup) Manufactured by Micro Nutritions, # 5-5-599, Exhibition road, Hyderabad
2.	24-09-2024	Bhupalpally	Ferrorus-XT Tablets (Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid & Zinc Tablets) manufactured by Kencure Pharmaceuticals, S.N.Puram, Road No.10, Medchal-Malkajgiri Dist., and marketed by Syrus Pharma, #1-3-1040/41, Flat No. 502, 5th floor, Shankara Kranthi Apartments, Kavadiguda, Hyderabad
3.	25-09-2024	Malkajgiri	Ferin-XT Tablets (Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid & Zinc Tablets) Manufactured by Twins Pharma, Plot No. 106, S.V.Nagar, Mallapur, Hyderabad
4.	26-09-2024	Pedapalli	Ferisyn-XT Tablets (Ferrous Ascorbate & Folic Acid Tablets) manufactured by Stallion Enterprises, 209-L, Sector-3, HSIIDC, Karnal-132001, Haryana and marketed by Syndicate Medicare Pvt. Ltd.
5.	26-09-2024	Bhupalpally	Fesozinc Tablets (Haematinic with Zinc and Vitamins Tablets) manufactured by Pregio Pharma Pvt. Ltd., Puducherry and marketed by Rapid Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Chennai
6.	27-09-2024	Bandimet, Secunderabad	Ferrigen-XT Tablets (Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid & Zinc Tablets) manufactured by Maxtra Laboratories, Rangarangaiah nagar, Chengi Cherla Village, Medchal-Malkajgiri District and marketed by Regen Biotics
7.	27-09-2024	Khammam	Proferron XT Tablets (Ferrous Ascorbate,

			Folic Acid & Zinc Tablets) manufactured by Macsol Lifescience, Plot No: 2B, Block No. 815, At: Santej, Ta. Kalol, Dist. Gandhinagar, Gujarat
8.	28-09-2024	Medchal	'CCF-D3' Nano Shot Oral Solution (Cholecalciferol (Vitamin D3) Oral Solution 60000IU) manufactured by Nuvista Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., Plot No:48, Phase II, IDA, Mallapur, Medchal-Malkagiri District and marketed by Beulah Biomedics, Plot 15, Padmapuri Colony, ECIL Post, Kapra, Medchal- Malkagiri District
9.	30-09-2024	Bollaram Village, Jinnaram Mandal, Sangareddy District	Ferrimack-XT Tablets (Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid & Zinc Tablets) , manufactured by Maxtra Laboratories, Rangarangaiah Nagar, Chengicherla Village, Medchal-Malkajiri District and marketed by Mackvin Pharma, Regd. Off: Plot No.55P, Sy. No. 238/2, Bhagyalakshmi Colony, Medchal-Malkajiri District.
10	30-09-2024	Domalguda, Hyderabad	ZencD3 Oral Solution (Vitamin D3 Oral Solution 60,000IU Nano Shot) manufactured by Ziexa Health Care, Plot No:118, Ground Floor,DSIIDC Bawana, Sector3, Industrial Complex, North Delhi, Manufactured in India for: CureZen pharma Pvt. Ltd., Kodihalli Bangalore
11	30-09-2024	Kamareddy	Ferrored-XT Tablets (Ferrous ascorbate, Folic acid & Zinc Tablets) , Manufactured by: Macsol Lifescience, Plot no. 2B, Block No. 815, At. Santej, Ta. Kalol, Dist. Gandhinagar, Gujarat
12	30-09-2024	Vikarabad	ENTEROFILL (Bacillus clausii spores suspension 2 billion spores/5 ml) Manufactured by Amspro Lifesciences Pvt. Ltd., Sy.No.631/A1, Udithyal Village, Balanagar Mandal, Mahabubnagar District, Telangana, Marketed by: CSC

			Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., Thane (W), Maharashtra.
13	30-09-2024	Medak	Calcisharp Suspension (Calcium with Vitamin D3 Suspension) manufactured by SS Health Care, 5-5-35/3, Prasanthi Nagar, I.D.A, Kukatpally, Hyderabad-72, marketed by Sharp Healthcare, Vill. Kailer, P.O. Saproon, Solan-173211 (H.P) Regd & Admin Office: Plot no: 146, Vasavi Colony, Kothapet, Hyderabad.
14	30-09-2024	Seized at manufacturing site - Amspro Lifesciences Pvt. Ltd., Udithyal Village, Balanagar Mandal, Mahabubnagar District	ENTEROFILL (Bacillus clausii spores suspension 2 billion spores/5 ml) Manufactured by Amspro Lifesciences Pvt. Ltd., Sy.No.631/A1, Udithyal Village, Balanagar Mandal, Mahabubnagar District, Telangana, Marketed by: CSC Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd., Thane (W), Maharashtra.

As per the label claim the above products are classified as 'drugs' according to the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

The said products 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.

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.

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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