

Press Note

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a medical shop located at Bommakallu Village, Madugulapalli Mandal, Nalgonda District, which was operating illegally without a drug license.

During the raid, DCA seized stocks worth Rs. 60,000 from the premises.

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, acting on credible information regarding the illegal sale of medicines, raided a medical shop located at D. No. 1-14, Main Road, Bommakallu Village, Madugulapalli Mandal, Nalgonda District, on 28th October, 2024.

Gurram Naresh was running a medical shop named Navya Sri Medical and General Stores at the said premises illegally, without a drug licence.

During the raid, DCA officers detected unauthorized stocking of huge quantity of medicines for sale. **30 varieties** of medicines including antibiotics, analgesics, etc. are found stocked for sale at the premises.

DCA officials seized the stock of total worth **Rs. 60,000** during the raid.

Sri. G. Surender, Drugs Inspector, Nalgonda carried out the raid under the supervision of Sri. K. Dass, Assistant Director, Nalgonda.

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 shops, which 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.

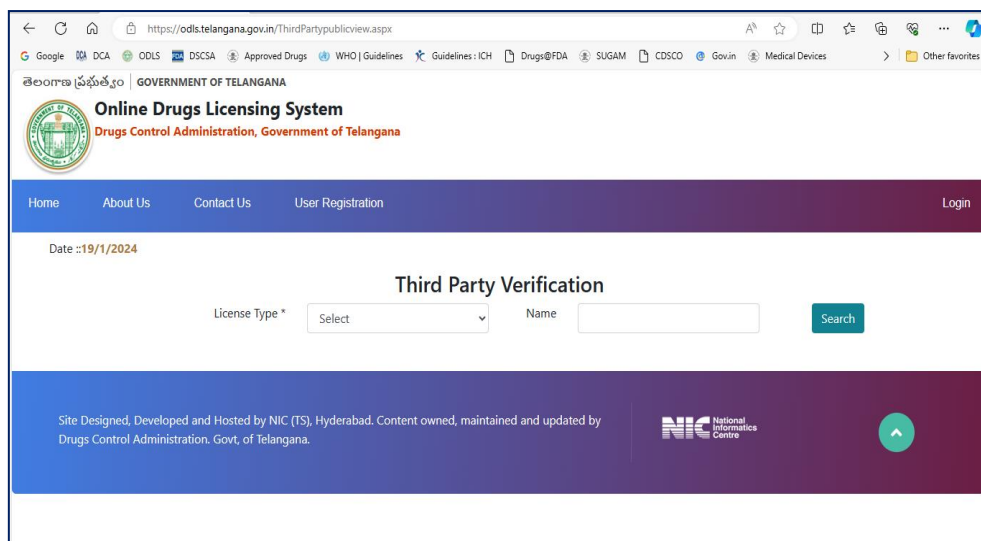
Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, issues drug licenses for the stocking and selling of medicines in accordance with the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

Stocking drugs for sale without a drug license is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, with imprisonment for up to five years.

The public should avoid purchasing medicines from unlicensed medical shops. Buying medicines from such sources significantly increases the risks to public health as they are unregulated. It is advisable to purchase medicines only from licensed medical shops. Licensed medical shops typically **'display their drug licences'** issued by the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, conspicuously in a prominent place that is easily visible to the public. Selling medicines without a licence is considered an offence, and medicines purchased from unlicensed premises are likely to be counterfeit products.

The public can verify whether a medical shop or pharmacy holds a license issued by the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, through **'Third Party Verification'**.

Public can enter the name of the pharmacy or medical shop in the search box provided under the 'Third Party Verification' section of the ODLS website at <https://odls.telangana.gov.in/ThirdPartypublicview.aspx> to verify the details of the drug licences issued by the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana. This allows individuals to check whether the medical shop or pharmacy is authorized to sell medicines or not.



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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