

Press Note

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A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, raided an unlicensed premises located in **Patancheru Village, Sangareddy District**, where drugs were illegally stocked for sale. During the raid, the DCA seized stocks worth **Rs. 1.51 lakhs** from the premises.

B) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized 'MUKTA VATI EXTRA POWER Tablets,' an Ayurvedic medicine, in **Ichoda Village, Adilabad District**, for making **misleading advertisement** claiming that it treats 'high blood pressure'.

A) Raid Conducted at Unlicensed Premises in Patancheru Village, Sangareddy District

On 8th November 2024, officials of the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, acting on credible information regarding the illegal stocking and sale of medicines, raided an unlicensed premises located at D. No. 8-4/A, JP Colony, Patancheru Village, Sangareddy District. Bachu Sai Charan had been stocking drugs at his residence for illegal sale without a drug licence.

During the raid, DCA officers detected unauthorized stocking of huge quantity of medicines for sale. **54 varieties** of medicines including antibiotics, steroids, antidiabetic drugs, antihypertensive drugs, antiulcer drugs, analgesics,

and others, were found stocked for sale at the premises. DCA officials seized the stock of total worth **Rs. 1.51 lakhs** during the raid.

Sri. M. Chandrashekhar, Drugs Inspector, Patancheru, Sri. G. Srikanth, Drugs Inspector, Jinnaram, Sri. T. Praveen Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Bollaram 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 and dealers who supply medicines to individuals stocking and selling drugs without a drug licence are also punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act. Stringent action will be taken against such wholesalers and dealers. They shall mandatorily ensure that the recipient entities hold a valid drug licence before supplying medicines to them.

The Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, issues drug licences 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 licence is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, with imprisonment for up to five years.**

B) Seizure of drugs for misleading advertisements:

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, detected an ayurvedic medicine '**MUKTA VATI EXTRA POWER Tablets,**' moving in the market with **misleading claim** on its labels that it treats '**high blood pressure**' which is a

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 raid conducted on 8th November to detect medicines moving in the market with misleading and objectionable advertisements, DCA officials detected **MUKTA VATI EXTRA POWER Tablets**, Manufactured by: Divya Pharmacy, A-1, Industrial area, Haridwar, Uttarakhand. The label of the product bears a **misleading claim** stating that it treats **high blood pressure.**

Photographs of the product seized for making misleading advertisement



The said ayurvedic medicine was detected by DCA officials at a medical store in **Ichoda Village, Adilabad District**. Stocks were seized during the raid.

Advertisement of a medicine for treatment of **'high blood pressure'** is prohibited under Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954.

Smt. A. Srilatha, Drugs Inspector, Adilabad carried out the raid. 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.

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 – Raid Conducted at Unlicensed Premises in Patancheru Village, Sangareddy District



Photograph – Seizure of drugs for misleading advertisements in Ichoda Village, Adilabad District


