

Press Note

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Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized overpriced anti-fungal medicine 'Itwage-200 Capsules' (Itraconazole Capsules 200 mg) at Amberpet, Hyderabad – The MRP indicated is very high compared to the Ceiling Price fixed for the product by the Central Government.

The details are as follows:

During the raids carried out on 23rd November, Drugs Control Administration officials seized 'Itwage-200 Capsules' (Itraconazole Capsules 200 mg) at a medical shop located in Amberpet, Hyderabad.

The product Itraconazole Capsules 200 mg sold under brand name 'Itwage-200 Capsules' is under price control as per Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 and the price of product shall be in accordance with the 'Ceiling Price' fixed by National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA), Government of India.

The product 'Itwage-200 Capsules' (Itraconazole Capsules 200 mg) of Batch No.: TC-710, Mfg. Dt.: 12/2023, Exp. Dt.: 11/2025, Manufactured by: Tosc International Pvt. Ltd., Plot. No. 47, Sector-3, SIDCUL, Pantnagar-263153, Uttarakhand and Marketed by: Skinocean Pharmaceuticals, Chennai, Tamilnadu **bears MRP as Rs. 299/- for 10 capsules, on the label of the product** which is a violation of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013.

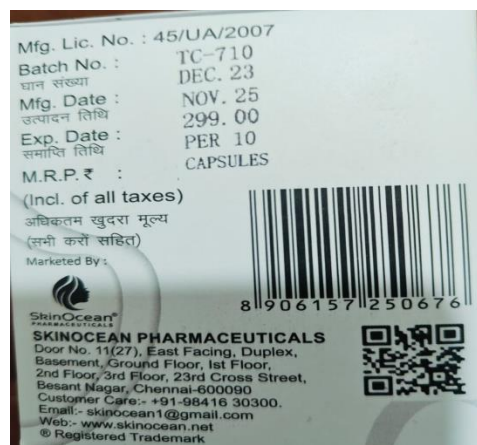
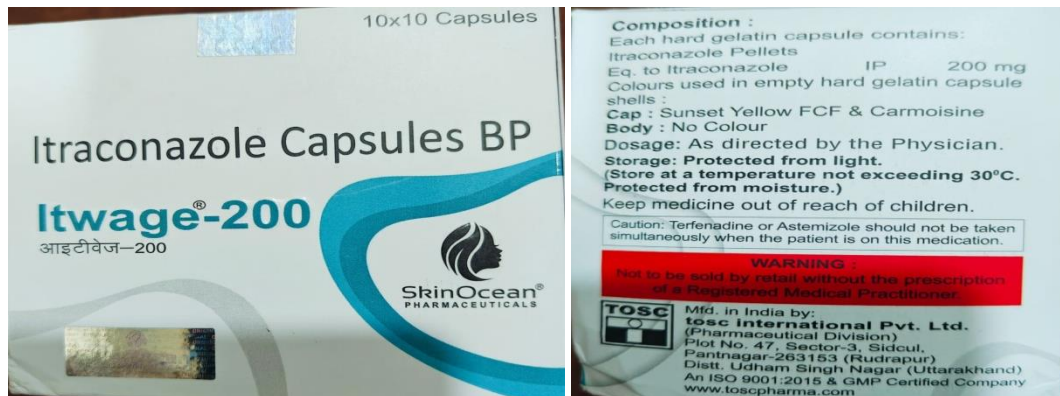
The Ceiling price fixed by the Central Government including Wholesale Price Index (WPI) for the product “Itraconazole Capsules 200 mg” is **Rs. 22.12 for one capsule (Ceiling Price) i.e. Rs. 221.2 for 10 capsules.**

Hence Maximum Retail Price (MRP) i.e. including GST 12 % should not be more than **Rs. 247.74 for 10 capsules (MRP=Ceiling Price+GST)**

The firm overpriced the product. Firm charged **excess of Rs. 51.25/- for 10 capsules** which is a violation of **Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013.**

Sri. V. Ajay, Drugs Inspector, Amberpet carried out the raid. Further investigation shall be carried out and action shall be taken as per the law against all the offenders.

Photograph of the Product Seized for Price Violation



The prices of Essential Medicines shall be in accordance with the Ceiling Prices fixed by the Central Government. Overpricing of essential medicines is a violation under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013 and stringent action shall be taken as per the law against violators.

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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