

## Press Note

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Drugs Control Administration, Telangana **raided a quack's clinic** and seized drugs stocked for sale at **Beerappagadda, Uppal Khalsa Village, Uppal Mandal, Medchal – Malkajgiri District.**

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The details are as follows:

Based on credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials raided the premises of a quack, Banothu Srinu, on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024, at D. No: 2-14-1, Shop No. 1, Srinagar Colony, Road No. 2, Beerappagadda, Uppal Khalsa Village, Uppal Mandal, Medchal–Malkajgiri District. He was practicing medicine without proper qualifications at his clinic, named **Anjali Clinic**.

During the raid, DCA officials detected **17 varieties** of medicines, including antibiotics, steroids, antifungal drugs, analgesics etc., found stocked at the premises without a drug licence. DCA officials seized the stock, worth a total of **Rs. 20,500/-** during the raid.

DCA officials detected several **'antibiotics'** viz. Ceftriaxone, Amoxycillin etc. at the clinic during the raid. Indiscriminate sale of antibiotics, by unqualified persons may have disastrous consequences on the health of public, including emergence of **'Antimicrobial Resistance'**.

Officials found **'steroids'** viz. Dexamethasone at the clinic of quack. 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.

Dr. B. Lakshmi Narayana, Drugs Inspector, Uppal and Sri. P. Ambedkar, Drugs Inspector, Medipally carried out the raid.

DCA officers lifted the samples for analysis. Further investigation will be carried out, and action will be taken as per the law against all the offenders.

Wholesalers/Dealers who supply medicines to such unqualified persons, 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.

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.**

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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.**

**Date: 03-12-2024**

**V.B. KAMALASAN REDDY, IPS**

**DIRECTOR GENERAL**

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