

Press Note

Press Note No. 10/12/DCA/2024

Date: 18-12-2024

A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a quack's clinic and seized drugs stocked for sale at Agamothkoor Village, Madugulapally Mandal, Nalgonda District.

B) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized Numine-100 tablets (Thiamine Tablets 100mg) in Peddapalli, which were falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

C) In separate events, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized certain medicines due to misleading advertisements:

- a) EYECARE Eye Ointment, an Allopathic medicine, claimed 'for Prophylaxis and treatment of Eye Infections'.**
- b) VATTI-VERU CHURNA, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat 'Diabetes'.**

A) Seizure Conducted at a Quack's Clinic in Agamothkoor Village, Madugulapally Mandal, Nalgonda District.

The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on 17th December, 2024 raided the premises of a quack Parshanaboina Laxmaiah, at

D.No. 2-295, Sahasra Peoples First Aid Centre, Shutter No. 1, Agamothkoo Village, Madugulapally Mandal, Nalgonda District, who was practicing medicine without proper qualification at his clinic.

During the raid, DCA officials detected 31 varieties of medicines, including antibiotics, steroids, analgesics, etc. stocked on the premises without a drug licence. Worth of the stock seized is Rs. 16,670/-.

DCA officials detected several '**antibiotics**' viz. Amoxycillin+Potassium Clavulanate 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. Methylprednisolone 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.

Sri. J. Ashwin Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Miryalaguda 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.**

B) Seizure of drugs falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'

The details are as follows:

During the raids carried out on 17th December, DCA officials detected drugs falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

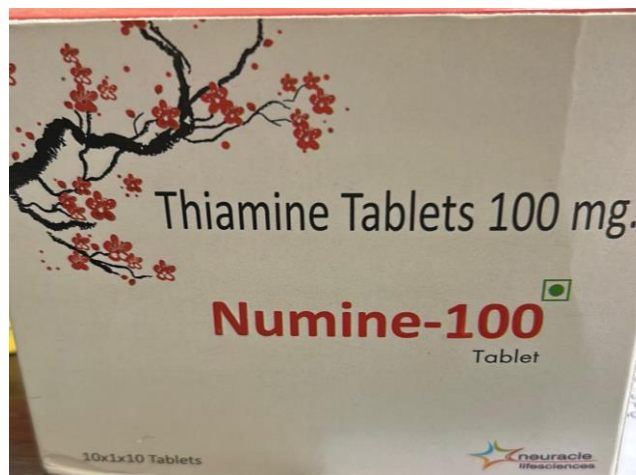
Drugs Control Administration officials in Peddapalli have detected the product **Numine-100 Tablets (Thiamine Tablets 100mg)** circulating in the market. The product was found to be manufactured by MK Biotech, Ubhawal Road, Sangrur, Distt.Sangrur, Punjab and Marketed by Neuracle Lifesciences, Chandigarh.

The said product was falsely manufactured under a 'food license (FSSAI license)' and falsely claimed to be a food product/nutraceutical. According to the label composition of the product, it is classified as a drug under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.

The product must be manufactured only under a 'drug licence' 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.

Photographs of the product falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'



Sri. P. Shravan Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Peddapalli carried out the raid.

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.

C) Seizure of drugs for misleading advertisements:

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, detected certain medicines circulating in the market with misleading claims on their labels, stating that they treat **‘Diabetes’, ‘For Prophylaxis and treatment of Eye Infections’**. Such claims are in 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 raids conducted on 17th December to detect medicines moving in the market with misleading and objectionable advertisements, the following products were detected by DCA officials:

Product	Misleading Claim	Manufactured by	Detected at
EYECARE Eye Ointment (Allopathic Medicine)	For Prophylaxis and treatment of Eye Infections	Chandra Drugs Pvt. Ltd, Indore-452009, Madhya Pradesh.	Mancherial
VATTI-VERU CHURNA (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Diabetes	Akheera Drugs Cosmetics, Plot No.26,Industrial Development Area,Balanagar, Medchal-Malkajgiri District,Telangana	Balanagar, Medchal-Malkajgiri District,Telangana

Advertising a medicine for the treatment of **‘Diabetes’ and ‘For Prophylaxis and treatment of Eye Infections’** is prohibited under the Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954 / Schedule J of Drugs Rules, 1945.

Smt. T. Chandana, Drugs Inspector, Mancherial and Sri. E. Naresh Reddy, Drugs Inspector, Balanagar are among the officers who carried out the raids.

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.

Photographs of the products seized for making misleading advertisements



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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