

Press Note

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A) Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, conducted raids on two medical shops operating illegally without a drug license at Vampuguda, Kapra, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, and Banda Maisamma Nagar, near Indira Park, Hyderabad, and seized the stocks.

B) In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized 'Kondapindi Leaf Powder,' an Ayurvedic medicine, in Sathupally, Khammam District for making misleading advertisement that it treats 'Kidney Stones'.

A) Raids on Unlicensed Medical Shops in Vampuguda and Banda Maisamma Nagar, Hyderabad

Officials of the Drugs Control Administration, Quthbullapur Zone, acting on credible information regarding the illegal sale of medicines, raided a medical shop by name Sri Sai Bhavani Medical and General Stores, situated at P.No. 2, Sy. No. 94/2, 95/2, 96/1, Shop No. 1, Ground Floor, Krishna Nagar Colony, Vampuguda, Kapra, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, on 18th December 2024. The medical shop was found to be operating illegally at the said premises without a valid drug licence.

In a separate operation, DCA officials of Secunderabad Zone, acting on credible information regarding the illegal sale of medicines, raided a **medical**

shop operating in Banda Maisamma Clinic, In Community Hall, Ground floor, Beside Banda Maisamma Temple, Banda Maisamma Nagar, Near Indira Park, Hyderabad, on 18th December 2024. The medical shop was also found to be operating illegally at the said premises without a valid drug licence.

During the **two raids**, DCA officers detected unauthorized stocking of huge quantity of medicines for sale. A total of **76 varieties** of medicines including Antibiotics, Steroids, Antiulcer drugs, IV fluids, Antihypertensive drugs, etc. were found stocked for sale at the said two premises. The officials seized the stock of total worth **Rs. 35,000** during the raids.

Smt. D. Saritha, Assistant Director, Secunderabad, Sri. T. Shiva Teja, Drugs Inspector, Kapra, Smt. P. Renuka, Drugs Inspector, Musheerabad, Sri. B. Govind Singh, Drugs Inspector, Secunderabad, Sri. G. Anil, Drugs Inspector, Malakpet, Sri. E. Thirupathi, Drugs Inspector, Quthbullapur, Sri. M. Surendranath, Drugs Inspector, Begumpet are among the officers who carried out the raids.

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 entities, 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.

The 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 for misleading advertisements:

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration officials of Khammam Zone detected an ayurvedic medicine '**Kondapindi Leaf Powder,**' moving in the market with **misleading claim** on its label that it treats '**Kidney Stones**' which is a contravention of the **Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954**. The said ayurvedic medicine was manufactured by Sri Amulya Herbals, D. No. 76-8/9-8, Das Street, Bhavanipuram, Vijayawada.

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.

The said ayurvedic medicine was detected by DCA officials at a store in Sathupalli, Khammam District. Stocks were seized during the raid.

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

Sri. K. Devender Reddy, Drugs Inspector, Khammam Rural 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 making misleading advertisement



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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