

Press Note

Press Note No. 17/12/DCA/2024

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

This year, DCA registered cases against **137 quacks** for the illegal stocking and sale of drugs.

B) In a separate event, DCA conducted a raid on Siddhartha Pharmacy, located in Reddy Bazar, Mahabubabad, and detected the sale of Thiohil Gel to a patient at a price exceeding the MRP indicated on the label.

A case has been registered under the **Essential Commodities Act, 1955**, read with the **Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013**.

C) In separate events, DCA seized certain medicines due to misleading advertisements:

- a) **Premol Oral Suspension**, an Allopathic Medicine, claimed to treat 'Fevers'.
- b) **Drishti Eye Drops**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed to treat 'Eye Disorders'.
- c) **Eyecare Eye Ointment**, an Ayurvedic medicine, claimed 'For Prophylaxis and Treatment of Eye Infections'.
- d) **Ovaryl Forte**, an Ayurvedic Medicine, claimed to treat 'Disorders of the Uterus' and 'Disorders of Menstrual Flow'.
- e) **Levos-AM Cough Syrup**, an Allopathic medicine, claimed to treat 'Asthma'.
- f) **Saubhagya Sunthi**, an Ayurvedic Medicine, claimed to treat 'Fevers'.
- g) **Maharasnadi Kwath with Guggulu**, an Ayurvedic Medicine, claimed to treat 'Rheumatism'.

A) Seizure Conducted at a Quack's Clinic in Jajapur Village, Narayanpet Mandal, Narayanpet District.

The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on 28th December, 2024 raided the premises of a quack/unqualified practitioner **Majigi Manohar Lal**, at D. No. 8-73, Jajapur Village, Narayanpet Mandal, Narayanpet District, who was practicing medicine without proper qualification at his clinic.

During the raid, DCA officials detected **50 varieties** of medicines, including antibiotics, steroids, analgesics, antiulcer drugs, etc. stocked at the premises without a drug licence. Worth of the stock seized is **Rs. 47,000/-**.

DCA officials detected several '**antibiotics**' viz. Cefixime, Gentamycin at the clinic during the raids. 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. Prednisolone at the clinic of the 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. S. Vinay, Drugs Inspector, Narayanpet and Sri. S. Viswanth Reddy, Drugs Inspector, Nagarkurnool 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) Raid Conducted at Siddhartha Pharmacy, Mahabubabad – Case Registered for Selling Medicines above MRP

Acting on credible information, officials of the DCA conducted a raid on **Siddhartha Pharmacy**, located at D. No. 314, Ground Floor, Reddy Bazar, Mahabubabad, on 28th December 2024. During the operation, the sale of the medicine '**Thiohil Gel**' at a price exceeding the Maximum Retail Price (MRP) printed on the label was detected.

During the raid, DCA officials seized sales bills for drugs sold at a higher price.

Smt. S. Umarani, Drugs Inspector, Mahabubabad carried out the raid.

Further investigation will be carried out, and action will be taken as per the law against all the offenders.

According to the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013, no person shall sell any medicine to a consumer at a price exceeding the price indicated on the label of the medicine pack. **Contravention of this rule is punishable under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, read with the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 2013, with imprisonment and a fine.**

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 **'Fevers', 'Asthma', 'Diseases and disorders of the Optical System', 'Rheumatism', 'Disorders of the menstrual flow' and 'Disorders of Uterus'**. 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 28th 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
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Premol (Paracetamol Oral Suspension) (Allopathic Medicine)	Fevers	Maxtra Laboratories, TIF Industrial Park, Dandumalkapur Village, Choutuppal (M), Yadadri- Bhongiri District.	Bodhan Nizamabad
Drishti Eye Drops (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Eye Disorders	Patanjali Ayurved Ltd., Unit-I, D-38, Industrial Area, Haridwar – 249 404, Uttarakhand.	Jillelaguda Village, Balapur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District
Eyecare Eye Ointment (Ayurvedic Medicine)	For Prophylaxis and Treatment of Eye Infections	Chandra Drugs Pvt. Ltd., C&D Industrial Area, Rangwasa, Madhya Pradesh.	Medipally, Medchal- Malkajgiri District
Ovaryl Forte (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Disorders of the Uterus, Disorders of Menstrual Flow.	Ayurlab Herbal Pvt. Ltd., Timbi Patiya, Pavagadh Road, Halol, Gujarat.	Pargi, Vikarabad District
Levos-AM Cough Syrup (Allopathic Medicine)	Asthma	Aagya Biotech Pvt. Ltd., 1.5 km, Manglour- Saharanpur Road, Manglaur- 247656, Roorkee, Distt. Haridwar, Uttarakhand.	Jadcherla, Mahabubnagar District
Saubhagya Sunthi (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Fevers	Manphar Ayurvedic Drugs, 27-11-37, Dubaguntavari street, Governorpet, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh.	Chaitanyapuri, Saroornagar, Rangareddy District
Maharasnadi Kwath with Guggulu (Ayurvedic Medicine)	Rheumatism	Dabur India Ltd., 22, Site IV, Sahibabad, Uttar Pradesh.	Erragadda, Hyderabad

Advertising a medicine for the treatment of **'Fevers', 'Asthma', 'Diseases and disorders of the Optical System', 'Rheumatism', 'Disorders of the**

menstrual flow’ and ‘Disorders of Uterus’ is prohibited under the Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954.

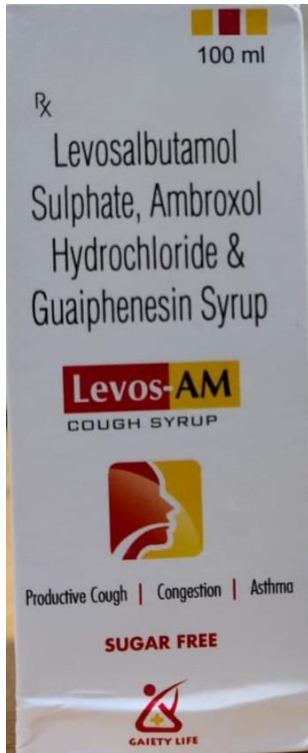
Smt. R. Srilatha, Drugs Inspector, Nizamabad Rural, Sri. V. Ravi Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Balapur, Sri. P. Ambedkar, Drugs Inspector, Medipally, Sri. A.N. Kranthi Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Vikarabad, Sri. Md. Rafhi Shaik, Drugs Inspector, Jadcherla, Sri. J. Nagaraju, Drugs Inspector, Saroornagar, and Ms. J. Sowjanya, Drugs Inspector, Yousufguda 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.

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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