

## Press Note

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### SPECIAL DRIVE BY DCA

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana carried out a **Special Drive** on **28th February 2025**, covering clinics run by quacks, medical shops, and blood centres.

The special drive on 28th February led to **thirteen seizures**, including the detection of unauthorized stocking and sale of drugs by a quack, the seizure of drugs being sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals,' and the detection of misleading advertisements on drugs.

### Raids on Blood Centres in February-2025:

In February 2025, the DCA Telangana conducted inspections at **28 blood centres**, focusing on the proper **screening** (testing) of blood and blood components for transmissible diseases, including HIV and Hepatitis, storage conditions of blood and components, and the processing charges collected by blood centres. Violations were detected at **14 blood centres**, and actions were taken against **4 blood centres**.

### Details of Raids Conducted on 28<sup>th</sup> February:

**A)** Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a **quack's clinic** in **Begumpet Village, Raipole Mandal, Siddipet District** and seized drugs stocked for sale.

Since January 2024, the DCA has registered cases against **151 quacks** for the illegal stocking and sale of drugs.

**B)** In a separate event, Drugs Control Administration, Telangana seized **Dawafer-XT Tablets** (Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid & Zinc Tablets) in **Malakpet**, which were falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

**C)** In separate events, DCA, Telangana seized **eleven products** due to misleading advertisements regarding **disorders of menstrual flow, diseases and disorders of the uterus, leprosy, fever, diabetes, heart diseases, high blood pressure, rheumatism, and for prophylaxis and treatment of eye infections, eye diseases.**

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**A) Seizure Conducted at a Quack's Clinic in Begumpet Village, Raipole Mandal, Siddipet District**

The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 raided the premises of a quack K. Ramanjaneyulu, at Maruthi First Aid Center, Begumpet Village, Raipole Mandal, Siddipet District, who was carrying out clinical practice without proper qualification at his clinic.

During the raid, DCA officials detected **14 varieties** of medicines, including antibiotics, analgesics, antiulcer drugs etc. stocked on the premises without a drug licence. Worth of the stock seized is Rs. 30,000/-.

DCA officials detected several '**antibiotics**' viz. Linezolid, 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'**.

Smt. S. Vinay Sushmi, Drugs Inspector, Siddipet 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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## **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 28<sup>th</sup> February, DCA officials detected drugs falsely manufactured and sold under the guise of 'food products/nutraceuticals'.

Drugs Control Administration officials in Malakpet have detected the product **Dawafer-XT Tablets (Ferrous Ascorbate, Folic Acid & Zinc Tablets)** circulating in the market. The product was found to be manufactured by **Vix Pharma International**, 159, Block A, DSIIC, Bawana, Delhi.

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. Sri. G. Anil, Drugs Inspector, Malakpet 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.**

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### **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 **disorders of menstrual flow, diseases and disorders of the uterus, leprosy, fever, diabetes, heart diseases, high blood pressure, rheumatism, and for prophylaxis and treatment of eye infections, eye diseases**. 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 special drive conducted on 28<sup>th</sup> February 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
Softamycitin Eye Ointment (Allopathic Medicine)	For prophylaxis and treatment of Eye infections	Soft Medicaps Limited, 50-B 52-A, 53-B, 53-D Sector C, Industrial area No.1, Dewas, Madhya Pradesh.	Medipally, Medchal-Malkajgiri District
Yosnaar Max Tablets (Ayurvedic)	Disorders of menstrual flow, Diseases	Alna Biotech Pvt Ltd., Plot No. 21, HSIIDC, Industrial	Jillelaguda Village, Balapur Mandal, Ranga Reddy

Medicine)	<b>and disorders of Uterus</b>	Estate, Alipur (Barwala), Distt. Panchkula, Haryana.	District
<b>Gandha Kachuralu</b> (Ayurvedic Medicine)	<b>Leprosy</b>	Grovel Drugs & Chemicals Pvt Ltd. Herbal and ayurvedic Division, #34-B, Anrich, IDA Bollaram, Sangareddy Dist.	Market Street, Secunderabad
<b>Vimcet Plus Suspension</b> (Allopathic Medicine)	<b>Fever</b>	Maxtra Laboratories, TIF Industrial Park, Dandumalkapur (V), Choutuppal (M), Yadadri Bhongiri District	Kapra, Medchal-Malkajiri District
<b>Ashwagandha Churnam</b> (Ayurvedic Medicine)	<b>Diabetes</b>	Devi Naturals, LB Nagar, Hyderabad. Rinivaa Ayurveda Pvt. Ltd., Mansoorabad, Hyderabad	Mehdipatnam
<b>Hridyamrit Vati Extra Power DS</b> (Ayurvedic Medicine)	<b>Heart Diseases</b>	Divya Pharmacy, Haridwar, Uttarakhand	Narayanpet
<b>Softamycitin Eye Ointment</b> (Allopathic Medicine)	<b>For prophylaxis and treatment of Eye infections</b>	Soft Medicaps Ltd., Sector C, Industrial area No.1, Dewas, Madhya Pradesh.	Medak
<b>Karela Jamun Mix</b> (Ayurvedic Medicine)	<b>High Blood Pressure</b>	Rajputana Agrico, Plot no. 1, Heavy Industrial area, Jodhpur, Rajasthan.	Jadcherla, Mahabubnagar District
<b>Satapushpa Fruit Churna</b> (Ayurvedic Medicine)	<b>Fever, Eye diseases</b>	Manphar Ayurvedic Drugs, Dubaguntavari Street, Governorpet,	S.R. Nagar, Hyderabad

		Vijayawada	
<b>Vatari Churna</b> (Ayurvedic Medicine)	<b>Rheumatism</b>	Divya Pharmacy, Haridwar, Uttarakhand.	Karimnagar
<b>Sabja Seeds</b>	<b>Diabetes</b>	Sanjeevi Ayurveda Enterprises, Hanuman Nagar, Meerpet, Hyderabad, and Jayasurya Ayurvedic Pharmacy, LB Nagar, Hyderabad	Dilsukhnagar, Saroornagar, Hyderabad

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.**

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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.

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