

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA DRUGS CONTROL ADMINISTRATION



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Press Note

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Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, busted a godown illegally stocking and selling Bulk Drugs (Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients) at Plot No. A25/26, Road No. 1, IDA Nacharam, Nacharam Village, Uppal Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District. The godown belongs to Indian Drugs and Chemicals.

Stocks of drugs, including antihypertensives, antibacterials, anthelmintics, worth Rs. 2.25 lakhs were seized during the raid.

The details are as follows:

Based on credible information, a surprise raid was conducted by the Drugs Control Administration officials of the Shameerpet Zone, resulting in the busting of an illegal godown found stocking large quantities of bulk drugs.

A godown located at Plot No. A25/26, Road No. 1, IDA Nacharam, Nacharam Village, Uppal Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, was raided by the team on 15th May, 2025.

During the raid, large stocks of bulk drugs (Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients) of various categories, including antihypertensives, antibacterials, anthelmintics were found stocked at the godown belonging to **Indian Drugs** and **Chemicals**.

The details of the stocks of Bulk Drugs (APIs) detected:

- 1. Piperazine Hydrochloride (Qty: 250 Kg)
- 2. Levofloxacin (Qty: 3 Kg)
- 3. Enalapril Maleate (Qty: 300 grams)

The stocks of bulk drugs/APIs present in the godown, which was operating illegally without any drug licence, were found stored in bags bearing only the name of the bulk drug. Batch details and the particulars of the manufacturer were not indicated on the API stocks, **indicating suspected unlicensed manufacturing of the APIs.**

Drugs manufactured by unlicensed entities pose a severe threat to public health. They do not adhere to any 'Good Manufacturing Practices' (GMP). According to the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, drugs must be manufactured in ISO-8 Clean Rooms while adhering to GMP. GMP regulations for drugs contain minimum requirements for the methods, facilities, and controls used in manufacturing, processing, and packing of a drug. GMP ensures that a drug is safe for use by patients.

DCA Telangana ensures the quality of drugs manufactured in the state by carefully monitoring drug manufacturers' compliance with Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) regulations. The licensing process for drug manufacturers includes a review of the manufacturer's compliance with GMPs.

Unlicensed entities do not follow GMPs and lack formal system of controls which prevent instances of contamination, mix-ups, deviations, failures, and errors. Hence drugs manufactured and sold by unlicensed

entities may not meet quality standards and such drugs may have serious implications on patient's health.

During the raids, drugs worth Rs. 2.25 lakhs were seized.

Smt. Anjum Abida, Assistant Director, Shameerpet, Smt. G. Indira Priyadarshini, Drugs Inspector, Habsiguda, Dr. B. Lakshmi Narayana, Drugs Inspector, Uppal, Sri B. Praveen, Drugs Inspector, Shameerpet, and Sri. P. Ambedkar, Drugs Inspector, Medipally are among the officers who carried out the raid.

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

Illegal stocking of drugs without a drug license is punishable under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, with imprisonment for up to five years.

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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Photograph- Seizure of Bulk Drugs from an Unlicensed Godown in IDA Nacharam, Nacharam Village, Uppal Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District


