

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA DRUGS CONTROL ADMINISTRATION



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Press Note

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Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, raided a medical shop located at Alwal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, which was operating illegally without a drug license and seized drugs that were stocked for sale at the unlicensed medical shop during the raid.

The details are as follows:

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials, acting on credible information regarding the illegal sale of medicines, raided a medical shop located at D.No. 1-20-232/NR, Shutter No. 1&2, Bank Colony, West Venkatapuram, Alwal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District, on 19th May, 2025.

Y.V. Subba Rao was running a medical shop at the said premises illegally, without a drug licence.

During the raid, DCA officers detected unauthorized stocking of a huge quantity of medicines for sale. A total of **20 varieties** of medicines, including antifungal drugs, analgesics, and drugs used to treat erectile dysfunction, were found stocked for sale at the premises and the stock, worth **Rs. 30,000**, was seized during the raid.

Dr. K. Prabhakar, Assistant Director, Quthbullapur, Sri. K. Murali Krishna, Drugs Inspector, Malkajgiri, and Sri. E. Thirupathi, Drugs Inspector, Quthbullapur, were among the officers who carried out the raid.

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 shops, 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.

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.

Public Awareness

The public should avoid purchasing medicines from unlicensed sources and never buy medicines from unregulated websites or other online platforms. Purchasing medicines from such sources significantly increases the risk to public health, as they are unregulated. It is advisable to purchase medicines only from licensed medical shops, which typically display their drug licenses, issued by the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, conspicuously in a prominent place that is easily visible to the public.

Selling medicines without a license is an offence, and medicines purchased from unlicensed premises are <u>likely to be counterfeit products.</u>

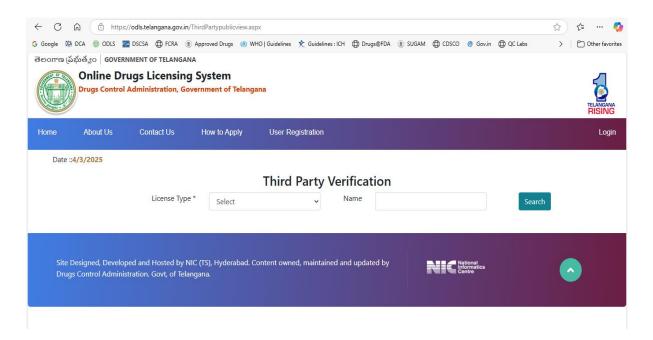
The public can verify whether a medical shop or pharmacy holds a license issued by the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, through the "Third-Party Verification" feature.

The public can enter the name of the pharmacy or medical shop in the search box provided under the "Third-Party Verification" section of the ODLS website at https://odls.telangana.gov.in/ThirdPartypublicview.aspx to verify the details of drug licenses issued by the Drugs Control Administration, Telangana. This enables the public to check whether the medical shop or pharmacy is authorized to sell medicines or not.

Step-1:

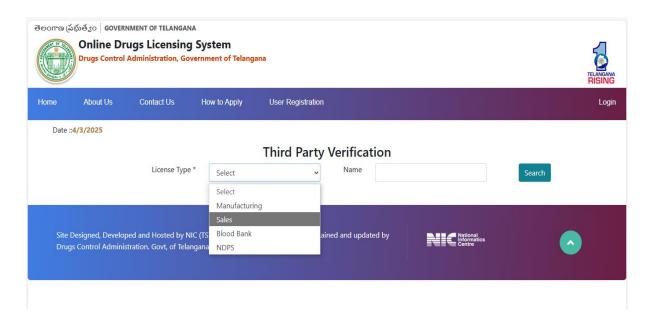
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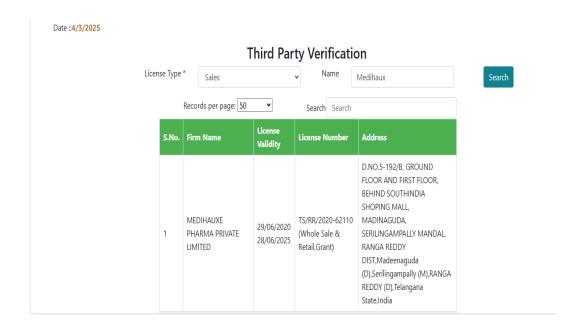
Step-2:

Select "Sales" under the License Type.



Step-3:

Enter the name of the medical shop or distributor in the search box and click on "Search." The license details will be displayed on the page.



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- Raid on an Unlicensed Medical Shop at Alwal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District