

Press Note

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Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a quack's clinic in Damera Village, Elkathurthi Mandal, Hanumakonda District, and seized drugs illegally stocked for sale.

The details are as follows:

On credible information, Drugs Control Administration officials, on 6th January, 2026 raided the premises of a quack/unqualified practitioner Swargam Sathish Babu, situated at First Aid Clinic, Damera Village, Elkathurthi Mandal, Hanumakonda District, who was conducting clinical practice without proper qualifications at his clinic.

During the raid, DCA officials detected **30 varieties** of medicines, including antibiotics, steroids, analgesics, anti-ulcer drugs, antihypertensive drugs, etc. stocked at the premises without a drug licence. Worth of the stock seized is Rs. 21,650/-.

DCA officials detected several **'antibiotics'** at the clinic during the raid. The indiscriminate sale of antibiotics by unqualified persons may have disastrous consequences on the health of public, including the emergence of **'Antimicrobial Resistance'**.

Officials found '**steroids**' 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. J. Kiran Kumar, Drugs Inspector, Hanumakonda carried out the raid under the supervision of Dr. G. Rajyalakshmi, Assistant Director, Warangal.

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.

ADVISORY

It is hereby informed that Wholesalers/Dealers supplying medicines to **quacks, other unqualified persons, and unlicensed shops**, who are found stocking and selling drugs without a valid drug license, shall be liable for penal action under the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940. Stringent action shall be initiated against such Wholesalers/Dealers involved unauthorized and illegal supply chains.

All Wholesalers/Dealers are mandatorily directed to ensure that medicines are supplied only to entities holding a valid drug license issued by the competent Licensing Authority. It is the responsibility of every Wholesaler/Dealer to verify and maintain records of the validity of drug licenses of recipient establishments before effecting supplies. Non-compliance in this regard will attract strict action as per law.

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.**

The public may report any complaints regarding illegal activities related to medicines, as well as any other suspected manufacturing activities concerning drugs, including narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, in residential, commercial, or industrial areas through the **Drugs Control Administration, Telangana Toll-Free Number 1800-599-6969**, operational from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm on all working days.

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Photograph - Raid at quack's clinic in **Damera Village, Elkathurthi Mandal, Hanumakonda District**


