

Press Release

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana officials raided an unlicensed godown at Amberpet, Hyderabad and seized huge stocks of medicines worth 20.52 lakhs. Huge stocks of 'Telangana Government Supply Drugs' also seized during the raid.

The brief details are as follows:

On the basis of the intelligence gathered, officers of Drugs Control Administration, Telangana raided a godown located at Door No. 2-3-659/T, Near Ali Cafe, Azad Nagar, Amberpet. Mohd. Basheer Ahmed is operating the godown without a drug licence and carrying out illegal sale of medicines.

During the raid carried out on 18th, 19th January, DCA officials found several cardboard shipper cartons in the godown containing huge quantity of medicines. Forty varieties of medicines including higher generation antibiotics, paediatric syrups, anti ulcer drugs, analgesic drugs, antibiotic injections, antimalaria drugs etc. are found in the godown during the raid. The labels of most of the medicines found in the godown bear the name of 'Ashley Pharmatech Pvt. Ltd.', Khasra No. 24, Farm House No. 103, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070 as 'marketer' and bear the details of various manufacturers of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

Huge stocks of 'Telangana Government Supply Drugs' are also found in the godown. Telangana Government supply drugs 'Amoxicillin Capsules IP 500 mg' manufactured by Goa Antibiotics & Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Pernem, Goa and

'Azithromycin Tablets IP 500 mg' manufactured by Stride Organics Pvt. Ltd., Ghatkesar, Medchal Dist. are found in the godown.

During the raid, Mohd. Basheer Ahmed failed to disclose the 'source of supply' of the medicine stocks found. Mohd. Basheer Ahmed failed to produce the purchase bills regarding the medicine stocks. Mohd. Basheer Ahmed revealed that he is supplying the medicines to several medical shops in the State without any sale bills.

The stocks of medicines, which are suspected to be spurious/counterfeit, have been seized by the officers during the raid. Total worth of medicines seized during the raid is Rs. 20.52 lakhs.

Sri. V. Ajay, Drugs Inspector, Goshamahal gathered intelligence regarding the unlicensed godown at Amberpet and sale of medicines to medical shops in Hyderabad without sale bills.

Joint Director Sri. G. Ramdhan, Assistant Directors Sri. T. Rajamouli, Smt. D. Saritha, Drugs Inspectors Sri B. Lakshminarayana, Sri V. Ajay, Sri Ch. Karthik Siva Chaitanya, Sri. J. Nagaraju, Smt. A. Rashmi are among the officers who carried out the raid.

Drugs Control Administration, Telangana has been constantly on the vigil and alert to detect unlicensed stocking and illegal sale of medicines.

'Government Supply Drugs' are meant for distribution to Government Hospitals only and are not to be stocked and sold by any other entity. Stocking of drugs, 'Government Supply Drugs' without a drug licence is punishable under Drugs and Cosmetics Act with an imprisonment up to five years.

DCA Telangana is gathering intelligence on illegal sale of medicines and surprise raids are intensified on such godowns that are carrying out stocking and sale of drugs without any drug licence. Stringent action shall be taken as per the law against violators.

DCA officers lifted the samples of 'suspected spurious/counterfeit drugs' during the raid for analysis. Further investigation shall be carried out and action shall be taken as per the law against all the offenders.

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