



# Performance of Drugs Control Administration Government of Telangana

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> December-2023

# Performance of DCA



## Not of Standard Quality (NSQ) Drugs detected:

- No. of Samples drawn by Drugs Inspectors increased significantly in the year 2023.

No. of Samples drawn	
Year - 2022	Year – 2023 (till Nov)
3209	4127

- **Intelligent Sampling/Risk-based Sampling** adopted in 2023.
- No. of NSQ drugs reported:

No. of NSQs reported	
Year - 2022	Year – 2023 (till Nov)
15	78
0.53%	1.84%

## Drugs Control Laboratory- Analyses of samples during last 8 years

Year	Opening balance	No. of sample Received	Total	Total No. of samples Analysed	No.of Standard Quality declared	No. of Not of Standard Quality declared	% of NSQ	Closing balance
	a	b	c = a+b	d	e	f	g	h = c-d
<b>2015</b>	4533	2204	6737	5222	5196	26	0.49 %	1515
<b>2016</b>	1515	2440	3955	3697	3669	28	0.75 %	258
<b>2017</b>	258	3331	3589	2877	2792	85	2.95 %	712
<b>2018</b>	712	2128	2840	2571	2533	38	1.47 %	269 + 125
<b>2019</b>	394	2241	2635	2579	2541	38	1.47 %	56
<b>2020</b>	56	2590	2646	2531	2524	7	0.27 %	115 + 14
<b>2021</b>	129	2559	2688	2524	2512	12	0.47 %	164 + 1
<b>2022</b>	165	3209	3374	2780	2765	15	0.53 %	594
<b>Total</b>		<b>20,702</b>		<b>24781</b>	<b>24532</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>8.4 %</b>	

## Analyses of samples during 2023

Year 2023	Opening balance	No. of samples Received	Total	Total No. of samples Analysed	No.of Standard Quality declared	No. of Not of Standard Quality declared				% of NSQ	Closing balance
						f					
	a	b	c = a+b	d	e	DCA	TSMSID C	Police	Total NSQ	g	h = c-d
January	594	232	826	174	174	NIL	NIL	-	-	NIL	652
February	652	400	1052	265	265	NIL	NIL	-	-	NIL	787
March	787	440	1227	310	307	2 1 – Misbranded	NIL	-	2	0.64 %	917
April	917	318	1235	321	313	6	2	-	8	2.49 %	914
May	914	373	1287	286	283	2 1 –Misbranded	NIL	-	2	0.69%	1001
June	1001	302	1303	453	448	5	NIL	-	5	1.10%	850
Jul y	850	341	1191	443	432	5 6(Misbranded)	NIL	-	5	1.12 %	748
August	748	482	1230	435	418	2 1 –Misbranded	6	8	16	3.67 %	795
September	795	385	1180	454	438	13 1 –Misbranded	1	-	14	3.08 %	726
October	726	451	1177	562	554	7 1 –Misbranded	NIL	NIL	7	1.24%	615
November	615	403	1018	532	518	12	1	1	14	2.63%	486
December (1 <sup>st</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> )	486	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	5	-	-
TOTAL	-	4127	-	4235	4150	59 (11 Misbranded)	10	9	78		

# Performance of DCA



- Details of Cases pending trial / under investigation:
  - ❑ No. of Pending Trial Cases: 508
  - ❑ No. of Cases under investigation: 150
  - ❑ No. of cases in which NBWs are pending: 54

# Performance of DCA



## Inspections – Actions : Jan-2023 to Nov-2023

No. of Inspections carried out	23709
No. of Violations reported	4411
No. of Actions taken	4411
No. of Seizures done	46

## Cases Disposed : Jan-2023 to Nov-2023

No. of Convictions	51 (68.91%)
No. of Acquittals	23

# Counterfeit Drugs Seizure on 04<sup>th</sup> December



- Drugs Control Administration, Telangana, on 04<sup>th</sup> December 2023 detected clandestine activity regarding counterfeit/spurious drugs and raided an unlicensed premises at Macha Bollaram and seized 36 varieties of Anti-cancer drugs and other drugs worth Rs. Four crore thirty five lakhs.
- The prime accused in the case Kadari Sateesh Reddy is absconding.

# Media Coverage

## Counterfeit Drugs Seizure on 04<sup>th</sup> December

THE TIMES OF INDIA

6 DEC 2023

### Spurious anti-cancer drug racket busted, ₹4.3 cr 'meds' seized

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**Hyderabad:** Telangana Drugs Control Administration (DCA) on Tuesday busted a spurious anti-cancer drug racket in the city and seized medicines worth Rs 4.3 crore at Macha Bollaram. Prime accused K Sateesh Reddy, director of Astrica Healthcare Private Ltd, is on the run from police and a manhunt has been launched to nab him.

The confiscated drugs were found to be spurious as the labels carried details of a non-existent company 'Astra Generics Private Ltd', the licence of which was cancelled in July 2021. However, the manufacturing date mentioned on the seized drugs showed March 2023 in the name of



DCA officials with seized spurious drugs in Macha Bollaram

the fake company.

"Spurious drugs are a threat to public health. They not only fail to cure the disease but lead to disastrous consequences for the patients," warned a DCA official.

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### Largest drug seizure in T'gana: DCA

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On detecting suspicious activity on Monday, DCA vigilance officials searched unlicensed premises and seized 38 varieties of anti-cancer drugs. The seized drugs bore the names of firms like Astra Generics, Astrica Healthcare, Bless Pharma India, Alliance Biotech, Sunvet Healthcare, Salus Pharmaceuticals and DM Pharma of Himachal Pradesh and Safe Parenterals of Andhra Pradesh, besides Medion Biotech Uttar Pradesh.

Prime accused K Sateesh Reddy is absconding. DCA officials said the detection of clandestine activity relating to spurious anti-cancer drugs was a significant breakthrough and marked the largest seizure in Telangana since its formation.

The officials sought postal department help in Alwal to trace one location mentioned on the invoices. DCA officials searched Astrica Healthcare courier offices at IDA Cherlapally, Nacharam and Medchal and premises of Astrica Healthcare at Keesara. The officials identified the courier boy delivering the stocks of Astrica Healthcare and traced the location of counterfeit/spurious drugs, which were stored in Macha Bollaram.

DCA assistant directors P Ramu and V Balanagandan and drugs inspectors K Murakrishna, B Praveen, G Srikanth, Ravikiran Reddy and AN Kranthi Kumar were part of the search teams.

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THE HINDU

6 DEC 2023

### DCA busts spurious anti-cancer drug racket

The Hindu Bureau  
HYDERABAD

In one of the largest-ever seizure in the State, the Drugs Control Administration (DCA) after multiple raids in the city, seized spurious anti-cancer drugs from an unlicensed premises at Macha Bollaram on Monday.

The total seizure, of 39 variants of anti-cancer and other related drugs, was stated to be worth about ₹4.35 crore.

The DCA in a disclosure on Tuesday said these drugs were being sold under nine company labels in three States: In Telangana, Astra Generics Private Limited, Astrica Healthcare Private Limited, and Bless Pharma India Private Limited. In Himachal Pradesh, Medion Biotech Private Limited, Alliance Biotech, Sunvet Healthcare, Salus Pharmaceuticals, DM Pharma Private Limited, and in Andhra Pradesh by Safe Parenterals Private Limited.

According to DCA: "Certain seized drugs were found to be of spurious nature, as the labels bear details of a non-existent company 'Astra Generics Pvt. Ltd.' whose licences have already been cancelled in July 2021. But the manufacturing date mentioned on the seized drugs is March 2023 with the name of company with cancelled licence." A team headed by assistant director P. Ramu dug deep into the information on manufacturing of the said drugs.



# Seizure of Govt. Supply Drugs/Physician Samples



- DCA seized 16 varieties of **Telanagana Government Supply Drugs - Not for Sale** worth approx. 2,00,000/- at M/s. Health First Medical and General Stores, Warasiguda, Secunderabad on 01<sup>st</sup> September, 2023.
- DCA seized huge stock of **Physician Samples** worth 25 lakhs stocked at Jalpally, Ranga Reddy Dist. on 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 which led to several other seizures at Mahbubnagar, Siddipet, Wanaparthy.

## Habit forming drugs - Special Drive in the month of September, 2023

- Special Drive has been carried out to verify indiscriminate sale of Habit forming drugs as per the instructions issued vide Circular Memo No. 13/DCA-Peshi/2023 dated 26-08-2023 from 01-09-2023 to 10-09-2023.
- 556 shops have been inspected as part of special drive and violations have been reported at 469 shops and departmental actions have been taken for the violations reported under Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

# Recent Regulatory Initiatives by DCA



Recent regulatory initiatives include following:

- ❑ Advisory No. 09/DCA-Peshi/2023 dated:11-08-2023 issued to the Cough Syrup manufacturers in Telangana regarding testing of raw materials Glycerin and Propylene Glycol for DEG and EG content (with a limit Not More Than 0.10%.)

# Recent Regulatory Initiatives by DCA



- ❑ Circular No. 14/DCA-Peshi/2023 dated: 26-08-2023 issued by DCA to the field officers regarding Risk-based sampling publishing the risk indicators to be considered for lifting samples from the supply chain and from manufacturing facilities.

# NSQ Database



- **NSQ Database** has been prepared on the basis of the available data of NSQs reported by Drugs Control Laboratory, Telangana, CDSCO (CDL/CDTL/RDTL), other State laboratories, convictions data which shall be considered as a risk indicator for lifting of samples for test/analysis from the supply chain.

# Recent Regulatory Initiatives by DCA



- ❑ Circular No. 10/DCA-Peshi/2023 dated: 11-08-2023 issued by DCA to the field officers instructing strict enforcement of testing of Aluminum in Dialysis Solutions.

# Recent Regulatory Initiatives by DCA



- ❑ DCA Telangana constituted **Vigilance Cell** which works directly under the control of Director General, DCA to have better vigil and for detection of clandestine activities/any breaches of the Act.
- ❑ **Risk-based inspections (RBIs)** are being carried out by DCA Telangana on the basis of the NSQ/Compliance history of the manufacturer.
- ❑ **Nineteen** manufacturing units are covered under **Joint Risk-based inspections** along with CDSCO.
- ❑ **Nine** manufacturing units are covered under RBI from Sep-2023 to till date **by DCA Telangana**.