

1. As per Section 17(B) of D & C Act the following drugs are defined as **spurious drugs**.
 - (a) if it is manufactured under a name which belongs to another drug; or
 - (b) if it is an imitation of, or is a substitute for, another drug or resembles another drug in a manner likely to deceive or bears upon it or upon its label or container the name of another drug unless it is plainly and conspicuously marked so as to reveal its true character and its lack of identity with such other drug; or
 - (c) if the label or container bears the name of an individual or company purporting to be the manufacturer of the drug, which individual or company is fictitious or does not exist; or
 - (d) if it has been substituted wholly or in part by another drug or substance; or
 - (e) if it purports to be the product of a manufacturer of whom it is not truly a product
2. To purchase medicine from licensed chemist shop on prescription of R.M.P.
3. To obtain a valid cash memo with the details of patients name, prescriber and the name with detail of drugs like B.No., Exp.date with price mentioned in the cash memo.
4. To verify the label of the drugs as to whether the label bears the following details about the drugs or otherwise.
 - (a) Brand / generic name of the drug.
 - (b) Detail constituents of each dose.
 - (c) Batch No., mfg. Date and Exp. Date of the drug
 - (d) Name and address of the manufacturer and manufacturing licence No.

On suspicion, if any about the label of the drug the purchaser / patient may lodge a complain either to the local D.I. or to the DC along with copy of the prescription and cash memo for verification of the quality as to whether it is spurious drug or not. The consumer may send the drug in sealed condition to the Govt analyst directly for test and analysis under Sec 26 of D&C Act in Form No. 14-A with prescribed fees (as mentioned in Schedule – B of D&C Rule) to the Govt. in shape of Treasury Challan under the Head of Account “080-Medical-miscellaneous fees under the D&C Rule 1945.” On the basis of the test report received the consumer may file prosecution against manufacturer under Sec. 32 of D&C Act.