

DRUG REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF PAKISTAN Division of Quality Assurance and Laboratory Testing

RAPID ALERT

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CRACKDOWN AGAINST FALSIFIED / SPURIOUS VETERINARY DRUG PRODUCTS

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Target Audience:

- Regulatory Field Force of DRAP and Provincial Drug Control departments.
- Healthcare Professionals / Veterinarians
- Consumers (Livestock owners, farmers, and animal caretakers)

Problem Statement:

Drug Testing Laboratories from provinces, informed that the following Veterinary Drug products have been declared 'spurious/falsified' as its packaging falsely claims that it was manufactured by a licensed Veterinary pharmaceutical company which has formally disowned the said product. The details of report are as under

S#	Product Name	Batch No.	Manufacturer	Remarks
1.	Powder for inj. Penbiotic Procaine Penicillin 1500,000 I.U, Benzyl Penicillin 500,000 I.U, Streptomycin Sulphate 5.0gm.	V01745	Purported to be manufactured by M/s Nawan Laboratories (Pvt.) Ltd. 136, Sector 15, Korangi, Karachi.	The sample is declared as "Spurious" as per section 3(zb) (i) & (ii) of The Drugs Act 1976.
2.	Powder for inj. PENIVET-5 Benzyl Penicillin 500000IU Procaine Penicillin 1500000IU Streptomycin Sulphate 5g	VK-1496	Purported to be manufactured by Star Laboratories (Pvt.) Ltd. (Animal Health Care Division) 23-Km, Multan Road, Lahore.	The sample is declared as "Spurious" as per section 3(zb) (i) & (ii) of The Drugs Act 1976.
3.	Procaine Penicillin Inj.4.000,000 IU (Powder for injection) Each vial contains: Procaine Penicillín 3,000,000 I.U. Benzyl Penicillin 1,000,000 I.U.	190315	Purported to be manufactured by Shanghai Pharmaceutical Industry Corp. China. Shanghai P.R. China. M/S Shaheen Agency (Importer) disowned the given sample	The sample is declared as " Spurious " as per section 3(zb) (i) & (ii) of The Drugs Act 1976.









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Risk Statement:

The use of these spurious veterinary drug products poses a significant risk to animal health and indirectly to public health. Since the reported products were falsely labelled with the names of licensed manufacturers who have disowned them, their origin, composition, and sterility remain unknown. Administration of such falsified antibiotics in livestock may lead to **therapeutic failure**, **severe infections**, **or toxicity in animals**, and contributes to the **emergence of antimicrobial resistance** (AMR) due to exposure to sub-therapeutic or adulterated formulations.

Action Initiated: -

The Regulatory Field Force of DRAP and Provincial Drug Control Departments has been directed to conduct surveillance activities throughout the supply chain to confiscate the falsified products.

Advice for Healthcare Professionals: -

Veterinary practitioners, pharmacists, and other healthcare professionals are strongly advised **not to prescribe, dispense, or administer** the above-mentioned batches of Veterinary drug products declared as *spurious/falsified*. Since these products do not originate from licensed manufacturers and their quality, safety, and efficacy cannot be assured, their use may result in **ineffective therapy, treatment failure, or serious adverse reactions** in animals. Any adverse events or quality problems experienced with the use of these products should be reported to National or Provincial pharmacovigilance centers using <u>Adverse Event Reporting Form</u> or online through this <u>link</u>. Further information on reporting problems to DRAP is available on this <u>link</u>.

Advice for Consumers:

Livestock owners, farmers, and animal caretakers are strongly advised **not to use or purchase** the veterinary products mentioned above, as they have been declared **spurious/falsified**. These products falsely claim to be manufactured by licensed pharmaceutical companies, but their **origin**, **quality**, **and safety are unknown**, which means they may cause **treatment failure**, **serious illness**, **or even death in animals**.







