

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

# RAPID ALERT

**DRAP ALERT No:** N° I/S/10-25-83

## **CRACKDOWN AGAINST UNREGISTERED / FALSIFIED DRUG PRODUCTS**

Date: 08th October, 2025

### **Target Audience:**

- Regulatory Field Force of DRAP and Provincial Drug Control departments.
- Healthcare Professionals
- Consumers

#### **Problem Statement:**

Central Drugs Laboratory Karachi declared the following drug product as unregistered / falsified.

S#	Product Name	Batch No.	Purported Manufacturer	Remarks
	Tablet Levitra 20mg			The sample has been declared
1.			Purported to be manufactured	'Unregistered / falsified' .
	Each film coated tablet		by	
	contains:	BXNZ2488		
	Vardenafil (as HCl		M/s Bayer Pharma AG	
	trihydrate) 20mg		Germany	

### **Risk Statement:**

Since the product is not registered with DRAP, its quality, safety, and efficacy have not been evaluated or approved. The batch may contain incorrect or variable amounts of the active ingredient, unknown impurities, or be manufactured under non-compliant manufacturing conditions. Patients using this product may experience therapeutic failure, unpredictable adverse reactions, or serious health consequences due to lack of assured quality and authenticity. Misrepresentation of association with a well-known multinational company further increases the risk of false confidence, delayed appropriate treatment, and medication errors.

#### **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.









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#### Advice for Healthcare Professionals: -

DRAP requests healthcare professionals to have increased vigilance within the supply chains of institutions/pharmacies/healthcare facilities likely to be affected by above mentioned product. 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:**

Consumers should not use these products and should contact their physician or healthcare provider(s) if they have experienced any problem related to taking or using the above mentioned products and should report the incident to the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan / National Pharmacovigilance Centre. All therapeutic goods must be obtained from licensed pharmacies and other authorized/licensed retail outlets. The authenticity and condition of products should be carefully checked. Seek advice from your pharmacists or other healthcare professionals in case of any doubt.







