

CDSCO warns Against 2 Beauty Creams Over Excessive Heavy Metals

New Delhi: The Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) has issued a public health alert advising consumers against purchasing or using Goree Beauty Cream and Chandni Whitening Cream, both labelled as made in Pakistan, after testing found that the products were unauthorised and contained heavy metals above the specified limits, posing a potential health risk, including toxic effects.

The CDSCO said the products had not been issued registration certificates by the competent authority for import and sale in India. It warned that the excessive heavy metals may pose health risks to consumers, including toxic effects.

In its public notice, the CDSCO said cosmetic products used by consumers must be safe. It stated that the manufacture and import of cosmetics are regulated under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, and the Cosmetics Rules, 2020, while standards for cosmetic products are published by the Bureau of Indian Standards. A licence from the State Licensing Authority is required to manufacture cosmetics for sale and distribution, and imported cosmetics must be registered with the Central Licensing Authority.

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The CDSCO advised consumers not to purchase the two named products and not to use them or similarly named cosmetic products if already purchased. It also advised the public to purchase and use authorised cosmetics bearing the manufacturing licence number, manufacturer's details, batch number, manufacturing and expiry dates, and, in the case of imported cosmetics, the registration number. Labelling violations should be reported to the respective State Drugs Controller for products manufactured in India and to the Drugs Controller General (India) for imported products, the notice said.

The notice stated that the products are unauthorised and contain excessive heavy metals beyond the specified limits which may pose health risk to the consumers including toxic effects.

In light of the above unauthorised cosmetics products, consumers are advised to:

- Not to purchase above mentioned cosmetics products
- Not to use such & similar named cosmetic products if purchased

Further, the members of the public are also advised to:

- Purchase & use authorised cosmetics products containing details of manufacturing license number, manufacturer's details, batch number, date of manufacturing & expiry and Registration number (in case of imported cosmetics)
- In case of violations observed in label, report it to the respective State Drugs Controller (for the products manufactured in India) and the Drugs Controller General (India) (for the imported cosmetics products).

Furthermore, the alert stated that the CDSCO warned establishments and individuals not to sell, distribute or advertise the named products. It also requested regulatory enforcement units to ensure that such unauthorised cosmetics are not sold in their jurisdictions.

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