

Gurugram factory making fake products busted

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The factory has been manufacturing fake washing powder, shampoo and salt of well-known brands. Tribune photo

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The Gurugram police on Saturday busted a factory in Kadipur area that was manufacturing illegal copies of known FMCG (fast-moving consumer goods) brands.

The factory was allegedly manufacturing fake washing powder, shampoo and salt of well-known brands.

The police have arrested three workers of the factory while the owner, who is a native of Jhajjar, is at large.

A huge stock of fake items and machinery were seized by the police from the factory. An FIR has been registered at Sector 10-A police station. The three workers were produced in a city court on Saturday and sent to judicial custody.

According to the police, Sanjeev Bahal, senior investigator of Greves Protection Management Private Limited that has been authorised to keep vigil on the products of Tata Chemical, Hindustan Unilever Limited and Procter & Gamble, approached the local police.

He claimed that a factory was running in Kadipur village area which is manufacturing fake products like Tata salt, Tide washing powder, Surf Excel washing powder, Clinic Plus and Sunsilk shampoo.

Following the complaint, a raiding party was formed. It was headed by inspector Sanjay Yadav, SHO of Sector 10-A police station. A raid was conducted on the factory premises late on Friday evening. The police saw that three workers were busy manufacturing these products without any licence or permission.

A large number of fake products and machinery were seized and the factory was sealed by the police after nabbing the three workers from the spot.

As per the complaint of Bahal, an FIR has been registered against factory owner Devender Uppal, a native of Jhajjar, and three workers Veerpal, Hakim and Pawan under Sections 63 and 65 of the Copyright Act, 1957, Sections 103 and 104 of Trademarks Act, 1999, Section 420 (cheating), 485 (counterfeiting a property mark), 486 (selling goods marked with a counterfeit property mark), 487 (making a false mark upon any receptacle containing goods), 120-B (criminal conspiracy) of the IPC at Sector 10-A police station. The police are conducting raids to nab the factory owner.

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