

Health Dept initiates special drive to check sale of sub-standard hand sanitisers

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Ambala, Apr 15(UNI) The Punjab government's health Department has initiated a special drive to check the sale of sub-standard hand sanitisers.

During inspection, the department collected samples from shops.

The samples would be sent to the laboratory and those that are found to be sub standard would further be tested to check whether these were manufactured according to the prescribed standards. Legal action would be taken against those whose samples did not meet the prescribed standards.

Civil Surgeon Dr Kuldeep Singh said that all sanitisers should be manufactured according to the guidelines prescribed by the WHO otherwise legal action would be taken under the Drug and Cosmetics Act.

He said that Drug Inspectors had been instructed to inspect the chemist shops as well.

He also pointed out that there should be 70 to 80 percent alcohol in each sanitiser.

The Health department has taken action against such people who have violated quarantine rules and FIRs have been registered against them.

Violations are very harmful as such people caused infection to others.

More than 1,000 people were quarantined in Ambala district in the wake of coronavirus outbreak during the first lockdown. Those who didn't abide by the quarantine conditions, were first requested to adhere to the rules when they still didn't oblige, FIRs were registered against 13 persons which is the highest number in any district of the state.

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