



Police bust fake tea manufacturing unit in Cuttack, 45 quintals seized

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CUTTACK: Continuing its crackdown on the manufacture and sale of adulterated meals objects, the Commissionerate police on Wednesday busted a fake tea manufacturing unit at Mukameswar village below Sadar police limits in Cuttack district.

Acting on a tip-off, a workforce of police officers carried out a shock raid and seized an enormous cache of adulterated tea powder, uncooked supplies, duplicate labels of branded tea firms, tea-processing and packaging machines from the manufacturing unit.

“We have seized around 45 quintals of adulterated tea and raw materials from the unit. The ingredients stored inside the factory for preparation of tea look like tea powder but have no smell. We are suspecting the ingredients to be the powder of either some green leaf or seeds. Samples of the materials have been collected by the Food Safety Officer and sent to the Bhubaneswar based Food Testing Laboratory for examination,” mentioned Cuttack Sadar police station IIC Sudhansu Bhusan Jena.

The unit was working in a clandestine method for the final 4 to 5 years and the adulterated tea was being bought in the identify of manufacturers like Tata Tea Premium Dust, My Tea Premium Dust and Leela Tea Premium Dust in markets throughout Odisha.

While pouches of Tata Tea Premium have been being manufactured in the manufacturing unit for misbranding of the fake tea, the proprietor additionally used to fabricate and promote adulterated tea below his personal manufacturers with none authorisation. The proprietor of the fake tea unit has been detained and is being interrogated, Jena knowledgeable.

During interrogation, the accused confessed to have learnt find out how to put together the fake tea from a unit at Malgoldown the place he earlier was working and later from the same unit at Ranihat. He arrange his personal manufacturing unit at Mukameswar and continued his enterprise by procuring the uncooked supplies from Banaras.

“We have also got information about another unit outside the district. Efforts are on to locate the factory,” mentioned Jena.

Health consultants have mentioned that consumption of adulterated tea is dangerous for well being. Recently, the Commissionerate police had busted over 23 fake items manufacturing completely different sorts of meals supplies like honey, sauce, spices, edible oil, turmeric powder and ghee in town.

(*45*) month, the Commissionerate police had seized one quintal of spurious artificial paneer being transported from Kolkata to Cuttack in a personal bus.

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