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## FDA team bust factory manufacturing counterfeit products of multinational companies in Faridabad

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CHANDIGARH: In a significant development, the Food and Drug Administration Department (FDA) team has busted a factory manufacturing counterfeit products of multinational companies in Faridabad and succeeded in arresting two persons. On the other hand, the FDA team in Sonipat has also caught the work being run without a license. Acting on the tip off FDA team headed by Karan Godara, SDCO and Sandeep Gehulan, DCO raided the spot and during the search found that many products of multinational company Hindustan Unilever Limited's brands like 'Lakme' and 'Fitme' etc. were being illegally manufactured. FDA team called the police on the spot and later the representative of Hindustan Unilever Company was called for identification. On this occasion the representative of the company confirmed that the products being manufactured here were fake and illegal. The factory owner is not authorized to manufacture these, he added. FDA Officials said that among the ready-made products present during the search, samples of 16 cosmetics of brands 'Lakme' and 'Fitme' were taken for testing and the team has also seized 16 other types of products. Apart from this, empty bottles, cartons, tubes, etc. bearing labels of Hindustan Unilever Limited and Arrow Pharma Silvasa Company were recovered. It was with the fake cosmetics were made. The value of about Rs. 20 lakh and products worth Rs 30 lakh can be made from the empty bottles, tubes, labels, etc. recovered by the team. The samples are being sent by the department for testing. \FIR was registered at Adarshnagar police station, Faridabad and a partner of the factory Amit Mittal and manager Naveen Kumar have been arrested. This fake factory was being run by two brothers Amit Mital and Vipul Mittal. During investigation it was found that he has a firm in the name of Mittal Cosmetics in shop number Sadar Bazar, Delhi, through which counterfeit products made in Faridabad were sold. State Drug Controller of Haryana FDA, Sh. Manmohan Taneja has given this information to the Drugs Department of Delhi State and General Drug Controller, Government of India, New Delhi for further action. Raid on chemical firm being run without license in Sonipat He said that on the other hand, in another raid, the team of FDA of Haryana has succeeded in catching Prasha Chemicals, Badhi, HSIIDC, Sonepat while making sodium hypochlorite solution without obtaining poison license. The team was led by Rakesh Dahiya SDCO, Sonepat and Sandeep Hooda, DCO was also present on the occasion. It is noteworthy that Sodium

Hypochlorite is notified as a poison under the Haryana Poison Rules. He said that the team has recovered 40 thousand liters of the product and samples have been taken for testing. A case will be registered against the firm under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act 1940, and Rules 1945.

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