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Cancer medicines seized from Ghaziabad's Loni found to be 'substandard'



GHAZIABAD: A huge quantity of cancer drugs seized by the Delhi Police crime branch during a raid on a godown in Loni's Tronica City in November last year has been declared substandard by the government laboratory in Lucknow. Two of the four samples sent for tests also failed to comply with the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, Ghaziabad drugs inspector said. Six persons were arrested for operating the inter-state syndicate that manufactured and supplied spurious and counterfeit lifesaving drugs of reputed international brands following the raid on the premises owned by a doctor, Pabitra Narayan Pardhan, in Tronica City on November 15, 2022.

The syndicate, police had then said, used to procure capsules from an associate's firm and then manufacture fake medicines by filling them mostly with starch. While a strip of original life-saving drugs costs around Rs 2 lakh, the syndicate sold the spurious drugs to patients for Rs 1.5 lakh in the black market. "Two samples have failed the drug test while two others were found to be substandard," Ghaziabad drug inspector Ashutosh Mishra said. The lab report was received on Tuesday.

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