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"Updates on Substandard, Falsified (SF) and unregistered medical products"

Substandard and falsified medical products can have severe health consequences, including treatment failure, disease progression and prolonged illness, toxicity and harmful adverse effects, increased antimicrobial resistance, loss of public trust in healthcare systems and increased healthcare expenditure and economic losses.

TMDA emphasizes that ensuring the availability of safe, quality and effective medical products is essential for protecting public health in Tanzania.

In lieu to the above emphasis, TMDA implements various strategies to prevent, detect and respond to substandard and falsified medical products through:

- Strengthening regulatory frameworks and enforcement systems;
- Conducting inspections of manufacturers, importers, distributors and healthcare facilities;
- Carrying out post-marketing surveillance and laboratory testing of medical products;
- Monitoring medicine supply chains and distribution systems;
- Issuing safety alerts, recalls and regulatory actions where necessary;
- Collaborating with local and international stakeholders and regulatory authorities;
- Enhancing public awareness on the dangers of purchasing medicines from unauthorized sources; and
- Promoting the use of technological solutions and traceability systems to improve monitoring and detection.



During this period, inspectors from the **Tanzania Medicines and Medical Devices Authority (TMDA)** at the Central Zone successfully intercepted eight (8) unregistered medicines during the routine Post Marketing Inspection. Details of the unregistered medicinal products are presented in table 1 below.

Table 1: List of unregistered Medicines Seized at Central Zone

S/N	Trade Name	Non-Proprietary Name	Manufacturer's Name	Dosage Form	Quantity	Batch Details (BN, MFD & EXPD)
1.	Celestasafe	Betamethasone 0.25mg and Dexchlorpheniramine 2mg	Ambix Healthcare LLP,India	Tablet	42 tablets	BN: AET25213 MFD: 11/2025 EXPD: 10/2028
2.	VEGA-100	Sildenafil citrate100mg	Signature Pharmaceuticals, India	Tablet	28 tablets	BN: VR-913M MFD: 11/2025 EXPD: 10/2028
3.	Relax Aromatic	Menthol Balm 9 gm	China	Topical ointment	13 bottles	BN:108 MFD: 01/2025 EXPD: 01/2030
4.	DIX	Digoxin 0.25mg	Agog Pharma Ltd, India	Tablet	100 tablets	BN: T43024 MFD: 05/2024 EXPD: 04/2027



Photo of the selected unregistered products reported from Central Zone are presented below as Figure 1 to 2

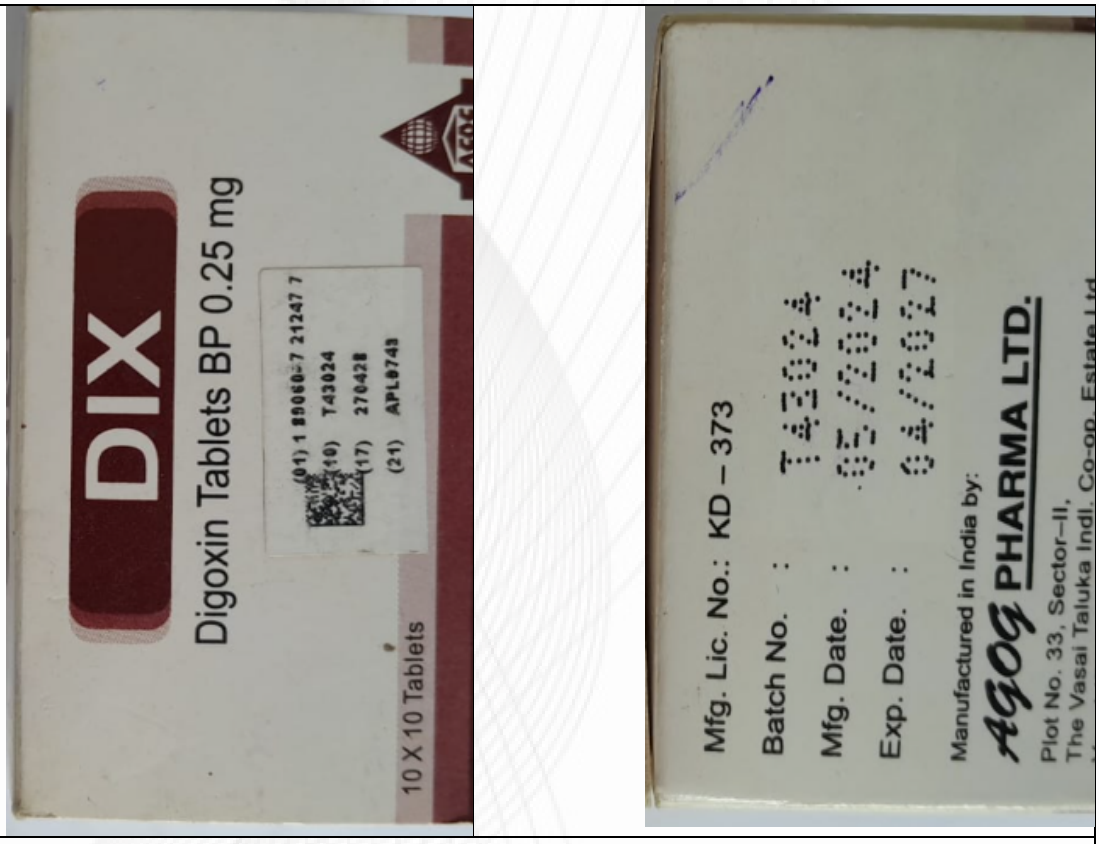


Figure No. 1: **Unregistered DIX (Digoxin Tablets BP 0.25mg) manufactured by Agog Pharma Ltd, India**



Figure No 2: Unregistered Phenobarbital Sodique Injectable manufactured by Swiss Parenterals Ltd, India

All unregistered medicines were confiscated and will be disposed at owner's cost. Fines were imposed for those who were found with unregistered products.

The Authority continues to warn the public against purchasing or consuming any medicinal product that does not appear in the official register. If you encounter any suspicious or unregistered products, they should be reported immediately to the nearest TMDA office or via the toll-free number **0800110084.**

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