The Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act 1954

Department of Pharmacy GP (Uttawar)



Unit 3rd (Pharmaceutical jurisprudence)

Misleading Advertising

OBJECTIVE

An Act

- √To control the advertisement of drugs in certain cases
- √ To prohibit the advertisement for certain purposes of remedies alleged to possess magic qualities...



DEFRITIONS

'ADVERTISEMENT'

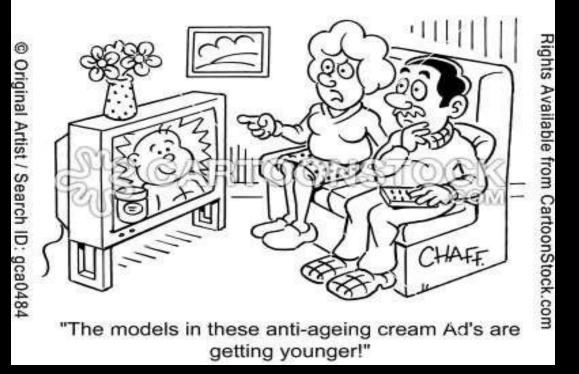
Includes any notice, circular, label, wrapper, or other document, and any announcement made orally or by any means of producing or transmitting light sound or smoke.





'MAGIC REMEDY'

Includes a talisman, mantra, kavacha, and any other charm of any kind which is alleged to possess miraculous powers for or in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment or prevention of any disease in human beings or animals or for affecting or influencing in any way the structure or any organization.



'DRUG'

- (i)A medicine for the internal or external use of human beings or animals.
- (ii) Any substance intended to be used for or in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treat ment or prevention of disease in human beings or animals.
- (iii) Any article, other than food, intended to affect or influence in any way the structure or any organic function of the body of human beings or animals.
- (iv)Any article intended for use as a component of any medicine.



'REGISTERED MEDICAL PRACTITIONER'

Any person

(i)who holds a qualification granted by an authority specified in, or notified under, section 3 of the Indian Medical Degrees Act, 1916 or specified in the Schedules to the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956.

(ii)who is entitled to be registered as a medical practitioner under any law for the time being in force in any State to which this Act extends relating to the registration of medical



"Will this make me feel as happy as the people in the commercial?"

'TAKING ANY PART IN THE PUBLICATION OF ANY ADVERTISEMENT'

Includes-

- (i)The printing of the advertisement
- (ii)The publication of any advertisement outside the territories to which this Act extends by or at the instance of a person residing within the said territories.





CLASSES OF PROHIBITED ADVERTISEMENTS

Prohibition of Advertisement of Certain Drugs for Treatment of Certain Diseases and Disorders

- a) The procurement of miscarriage in women or prevention of conception in women; or
- b) The maintenance or improvement of the capacity of human beings for sexual pleasure;
- c) The correction of menstrual disorder in women; or
- d)The diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment or prevention of any disease, disorder or condition specified in the Schedule, or any other disease, disorder or condition which may be specified in the rules made under this Act

Advertisements of magic remedies for the treatment of

Prohibition of Misleading Advertisements Relating to Drugs

No person shall take any part in the publication of any advertisement relating to a drug if the advertisement contains any matter which..

- a) Directly or indirectly gives a false impression regarding the true character of the drug;
- b) Make a false claim for the drug
- c) Is otherwise false or misleading in any material particular.

Prohibition of Advertisement of Magic Remedies for Treatment of Certain Diseases and Disorders

Publication of any advertisement referring to any magic remedy which directly or indirectly claims to be efficacious for any of the purposes

Prohibition of Import into, and Export from, India of Certain Advertisements

Import into, or export from, the territories to which this Act

COUNTERTHINK





CLASSES OF EXEMPTED ADVERTISEMENTS

- •Any advertisement relating to a drug printed or published by GOVT. or any person with prior per mission of the Government
- •Any advertisement relating to a drug which is sent confidentially in the prescribed manner to RMP.
- Advertisement s including any treatise or book dealing with any of the matters relating to diseases which are otherwise prohibited, provided published from a bonafide scientific or social point of view
- Any signboard or notice displayed by a RMP on his premises indicating that treatment for any disease, disorder or condition specified in Section 3
- •Any advertisement relating to a drug printed or published by any person with the previous sanction of the Government granted prior to the commencement of the Drugs and Magic Remedies Act

- •The advertisement should contain only the information, required for the guidance of RMP regarding:
- Therapeutic indications
- Route of administration
- Dosage and side effects of such drug or drugs and
- •The precaution to be taken in treatment with the drug
- •The distribution to such literature should be given to RMP, dispensaries, hospitals, medical and research institutions, chemists and druggists or pharmacies.

EXEMPTION FROM APPLICATION OF ACT

The central government, for the public interest, may permit any advertisement of any





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OFFENSES AND PENALITIES:

Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of this Act [or the rules made there under] shall, on conviction, be punishable –

a) In the case of a first conviction, with imprisonment which may extend to six months, or with fine, or with both

b) In the case of a subsequent conviction, with imprisonment which may extend to one year, or with fine, or with both.



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"Does Superman take anabolic steroids?"

STRONG ENOUGH TO TEAR A RECORDS BOOK IN HALF!!









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Scrutiny of misleading advertisements relating to drugs

Any person authorized by the state Government in this behalf may, if satisfied, that an advertisement relating to a drug contravenes the provisions of act

may order the manufacturer, packer, distributer or seller of the drug to furnish with in specified time regarding the composition of the drug or the ingredients as he feels necessary for holding the scrutiny of the advertisement

It shall be the duty of the manufacturer, packer, distributor or seller of the advertised drug to comply with the order. Failure to comply with such order is considered as an offense

No publisher or advertising agency shall be held to be guilty of the contravention of the provisions of the act merely by publishing the

Manner in which advertisements may be sent confidentially

All documents containing advertisements relating to drugs shall be sent by post to a registered medical practitioner by name, or to a wholesale or retail chemist, the address of such registered medical practitioner or wholesaler or retail chemist being given. Such document shall be at the top, printed in indelible ink in a conspicuous manner, the words "For the use only of registered medical practitioners or a hospital or a laboratory.

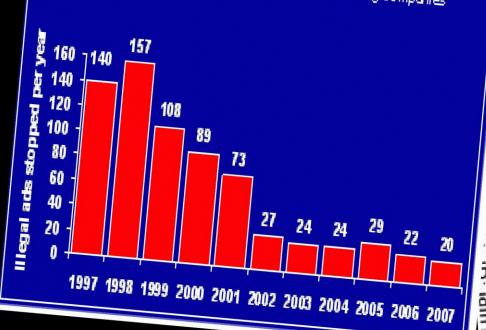
Prohibition of advertisement of drugs for treatment of disease

No person shall also take part in the publication of any advertisement referring to any drug in terms which suggest or are calculated to lead to the use of that drug for the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment or prevention of any disease, disorder or condition specified in the Schedule annexed to these rule.



FDA Drug Advertising Enforcement: 1997-2007

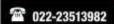
FDA Warning and Notice of Violation Letters to Drug Companies







If you think an advertisement is misleading, dishonest or indecent, contact ASCI.





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