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Press Release Bureau of Indian Standards raids on PACKAGED DRINKING WATER MANUFACTURING UNITS

The team of senior officials consisting Shri Sakuram Gugulothu,Sc-C, Shri T Arjun, Sc-B & Shri M Sreenivas, Assistant of Bureau of Indian Standards conducted raids on 30.03.2018 at the following manufacturing places as directed by Shri Ameer uz Zaman, Sc-E & Head, Hyderabad Branch Office:

- 1) H.No.7-1-276/B/24/1, Suprabhat Nagar, Balkampet, Hyderabad-500018 (with Brand:AQUA FINS") Proprietor: P Yadagiri Rao, manufacturing in the name of Mahanandi Enterprises, GRBH Aqua Fins, 11-38/1/21, SBI Colony, D K Road, Ameerpet, Hyderabad;
- 2) H.No.7-1-246/A/1, Bahloolkhanguda, Balakampet, Hyderabad-500018 in the name of Sri Shivaganha Water Suppliers, proprietor: Munnuri Srinivas & Super visor Ch. Krishna Reddy

The above manufacturers are packing & filling <u>Packaged Drinking Water</u> in 20 litre PET Jars without BIS Valid licence as per the Section 16 & 17 of BIS Act, 2016. They are packing without any testing, following any BIS Standard requirements, Hygienic practices stipulated as per IS 14543 : 2016. Which is very harmful to the human consumption and such Products are being sold to the *common consumers*. A Large quantity of 20 litre pet bottles filled with Packaged Drinking Water were seized during the raid.

Action is being initiated against the offenders under the BIS Act, 2016. The offence is punishable by imposing maximum amount of fine upto five lakh rupees or Two years imprisonment or both under section 29 of BIS Act, 2016.

The general public is requested to be aware that manufacture, sale, storage and exhibition for sale of packaged drinking water without a valid licence from Bureau of Indian Standards, use of BIS Standard Mark (i.e. 🖾 Mark) without a valid licence are both punishable under BIS Act, 2016.

BIS license is given to the manufacturing units only after thorough scrutiny of their manufacturing and testing facilities, as also the Hygienic conditions to be followed during its manufacture. Consumption of uncertified Packaged Drinking Water is unsafe and may be harmful to the health. Therefore, people should desist from consuming uncertified, untested water without ISI Mark.

Information on Misuse of BIS Standard Mark i.e. 🖾 and production of Packaged Drinking Water without BIS Licence coming to the notice of general public may be brought to the notice of BIS at the address given below:

Bureau of Indian Standards Plot No.1, Sy.No.367/1, ZTS-NFC Road Industrial Development Park, Moula Ali, Hyderabad-500040 Phone Nos. 27243339, 2249993/9996/9997/9998 Email: <u>hbo@bis.gov.in</u>

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