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Department of Health  
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



FDA ADVISORY  
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TO : THE GENERAL PUBLIC

SUBJECT : PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY ON THE ISSUE ON ALLEGED METHANOL POISONING DUE TO CONSUMPTION OF 'LAMBANOG'

In view of the on-going issue involving mass hospitalization and deaths allegedly due to methanol poisoning after drinking distilled coconut sap, locally known as "lambanog", the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) hereby warns the public on the purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverages that have not undergone the safety evaluation of this agency.

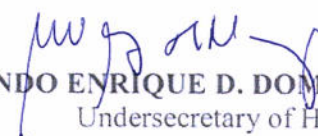
Current investigation is being done with the assistance of the Department of Health-Epidemiology Bureau, through its Regional Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit, and the concerned Local Government Units. The FDA shall conduct laboratory testing to confirm whether the implicated products contain a high level of the substance 'methanol'. Ingestion of product with an elevated amount of methanol poses serious adverse effects such as blindness, permanent neurologic dysfunction, and even death.

The public is hereby advised to exercise extreme caution in purchasing and consuming products such as alcoholic beverages that do not have proper labels and are not registered with the FDA. Retail outlets, and other dealers of alcoholic beverages, are warned against the sale of unregistered products which is a violation of the FDA Act of 2009 and the Food Safety Act of 2013.

All Local Government Units and Law Enforcement Agencies are requested to ensure that these products are not sold or made available in their localities or areas of jurisdiction.

For more information and inquiries, please e-mail us at [info@fda.gov.ph](mailto:info@fda.gov.ph) or call us at FDA Action Center hotline (02) 821-1162, or the Center for Food Regulation & Research at (02) 857-1900. To report the sale or distribution of any product that is not registered with the FDA, kindly email us via [report@fda.gov.ph](mailto:report@fda.gov.ph).

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.

  
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**LIST OF LAMBANOG PRODUCTS WITH VALID FDA CERTIFICATE OF PRODUCT REGISTRATION  
AS OF DECEMBER 23, 2019**

	BRAND NAME	PRODUCT NAME	COMPANY NAME	COMPANY ADDRESS
1	MANG ANDOY	LAMBANOG- BUBBLEGUM FLAVOR 35% ALC./VOL	MANG ANDOY LAMBANOG MANUFACTURING	BRGY. TIPAZ, SAN JUAN, BATANGAS
2	ISLAND COCO	LAMBANOG BUBBLE GUM	MIX MATE INTERNATIONAL, INC.	107 PASADEA'A ST., PASAY CITY
3	LAKAN BRONZE	PREMIUM COCONUT LIQUOR (LAMBANOG), 36% ALC./VOL.	PHILIPPINE CRAFT DISTILLERS, INC.	PUROK 1, BO. BULAKLAKAN, LIPA CITY, BATANGAS
4	JIMMY'S	LAMBANOG- BUBBLEGUM FLAVOR	JIMMY'S LAMBANOG	BRGY. LIPAHAN, SAN JUAN, BATANGAS
5	JIMMY'S	LAMBANOG -UNFLAVORED	JIMMY'S LAMBANOG	BRGY. LIPAHAN, SAN JUAN, BATANGAS
6	SAN JUAN LAMBANOG	SAN JUAN LAMBANOG	DESTILERIA LIMTUACO & CO., INC	1830 E. DE LOS SANTOS AVE., QUEZON CITY
7	LAKAN EXTRA PREMIUM	LAMBANOG 45% ALC/VOL	PHILIPPINE CRAFT DISTILLERS, INC.	PUROK 1, BO. BULAKLAKAN, LIPA CITY, BATANGAS
8	CRAFT DISTILLED LAKAN	LAMBANOG 45%ALC/VOL	PHILIPPINE CRAFT DISTILLERS, INC.	PUROK 1 BO. BULAKLAKAN, LIPA CITY, BATANGAS
9	LAKAN SILVER	PREMIUM COCONUT LIQUOR (LAMBANOG) 40% ALC./VOL.	PHILIPPINE CRAFT DISTILLERS, INC.	PUROK 1, BO. BULAKLAKAN, LIPA CITY, BATANGAS
10	DORY'S LAMBANOG	MANILA LAMBANOG (80% PROOF)	DORY'S DISTILLERY, INC.	0672 BUKAL SUR CANDELARIA, QUEZON
11	JIMMY'S LAMBANOG	LAMBANOG - STRAWBERRY FLAVOR 26% ALC./VOL.	JIMMY'S LAMBANOG	BRGY. LIPAHAN, SAN JUAN, BATANGAS
12	RAM-CIEL LAMBANOG	LAMBANOG	RAM-CIEL LAMBANOG	LIPAHAN, SAN JUAN, BATANGAS
13	SAN JUAN PREMIUM LAMBANOG	SAN JUAN PREMIUM LAMBANOG	DESTILERIA LIMTUACO & CO., INC	1830 E. DELOS SANTOS AVENUE, QUEZON CITY
14	SAN JUAN	COCONUT LAMBANOG	DESTILERIA LIMTUACO & CO., INC	1830 E. DELOS SANTOS AVENUE, QUEZON CITY

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