



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



FDA ADVISORY
No. **2020-986**

26 MAY 2020

TO: THE GENERAL PUBLIC

SUBJECT: Public Health Warning Against the Purchase and Consumption of the following Unregistered Food Products and Food Supplement:

1. **GAIA HERBS STRESS SUPPORT Rhodiola Rosea 60 Vegan Liquid Phyto Caps Herbal Supplement**
2. **NUTRA CHAMPS Rhodiola Siberian Adaptogen 120 Veggie Capsules Dietary Supplement**
3. **NOW Rhodiola 500mg Adatogenic Herb 60 Veg Capsules Dietary Supplement**
4. **NATURE'S WAY Standardized Rhodiola 60 Veg Capsules Dietary Supplement**
5. **NUSAPURE Rhodiola 4800 MG Strength Dietary Supplement**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advises the public from purchasing and consuming the following unregistered food products and food supplements:

The screenshot shows a Lazada product page for 'Gaia Herbs, Rhodiola Rosea, Stress Support, Adaptogenic Herb, Vegan Liquid Capsules, 60 Count'. The price is listed as P3,572.42. There are several promotional banners: 'Save More with Lazada Wallet', 'Buy 2, Get additional 5% off, Buy 3, Get additional 7% off, Buy 4, Get additional 10% off', and 'Up to 36 months, as low as P179.62 per month'. The page also shows delivery options (Metro Manila-Quezon City, Project 6), a 7-day return policy, and seller ratings (86% Positive Seller Ratings, 100% Chat Response Rate).

Figure 1. GAIA HERBS STRESS SUPPORT Rhodiola Rosea 60 Vegan Liquid Phyto Caps Herbal Supplement



lazada.com.ph/products/nutricost-rhodiola-rosea-500mg-60-vegetable-capsules-gluten-free-and-non-gmo-rhodiola-rosea-supplement-i72006619-s210143...

Search in Lazada

Categories ▾ Load & eStore LazMall Vouchers

Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Immunity > Nutricost Rhodiola Rosea 500mg, 60 Vegetable Capsules - Gluten Free and Non-GMO Rhodiola Rosea Supplement

RHODIOLA
SIBERIAN ADAPTOGEN

Nutricost Rhodiola Rosea 500mg, 60 Vegetable Capsules - Gluten Free and Non-GMO Rhodiola Rosea Supplement

Brand: OEM United States | More Food Supplement from OEM United States

₱3,695.66

Promotions: Save More with Lazada Wallet, Buy 2, Get additional 5% off, Buy 3, Get additional 7% off, Buy 4...

Instalment: Up to 36 months, as low as ₱185.82 per month.

Quantity: 1

Buy Now Add to Cart

Delivery Options: Metro Manila-Quezon City, Quezon City, Project 6

Standard Delivery: 24 - 32 day(s) Free

Cash on Delivery Available

Return & Warranty: 7 days return to seller

Sold by elite collection

Positive Seller Ratings: 86% | Ship on Time: not enough data | Chat Response Rate: 100%

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Figure 2. NUTRA CHAMPS Rhodiola Siberian Adaptogen 120 Veggie Capsules Dietary Supplement

lazada.com.ph/products/now-foods-rhodiola-500-mg-60-veg-capsules-i479132227-s1250718335.html?spm=a2o4l.searchlist.list.54.5ad41a40CV1e368&search=1

Search in Lazada

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Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Stress, Sleep, and Anxiety > Now Foods, Rhodiola, 500 mg, 60 Veg Capsules

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Rhodiola
500 mg
Adaptogenic Herb

Now Foods, Rhodiola, 500 mg, 60 Veg Capsules

Brand: NOW Foods | More Food Supplement from NOW Foods

₱1,350.00
₱1,799.00 -25%

Promotions: Save More with Lazada Wallet

Quantity: 1

Buy Now Add to Cart

Delivery Options: Metro Manila-Quezon City, Quezon City, Project 6

Standard Delivery: 15 - 23 day(s) Free

Cash on Delivery Available

Return & Warranty: 7 days return to seller

Sold by ROSYCHIC Health and Beauty Products

Positive Seller Ratings: 94% | Ship on Time: not enough data | Chat Response Rate: 78%

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Figure 3. NOW Rhodiola 500mg Adatogenic Herb 60 Veg Capsules Dietary Supplement


lazada.com.ph/products/natures-way-rhodiola-standardized-60-veg-capsules-i479150143-s1250728531.html?spm=a2o4Lsearchlist.list.60.5ad41a40CV1e368&...

SAVE MORE ON APP | SELL ON LAZADA | CUSTOMER CARE | TRACK MY ORDER | LOGIN | SIGNUP

Lazada Search in Lazada **CASH-IN & WIN** up to **₱2,000**

Categories ▾ [Load & eStore](#) [LazMall](#) [Vouchers](#)

Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Stress, Sleep, and Anxiety > Nature's Way, Rhodiola, Standardized, 60 Veg. Capsules



Nature's Way, Rhodiola, Standardized, 60 Veg. Capsules

★☆☆☆☆ No Ratings

Brand: Nature's Way | More Food Supplement from Nature's Way

₱1,399.00
~~₱1,799.00~~ -22%

Promotions [Save More with Lazada Wallet](#)

Quantity

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Delivery Options

Metro Manila-Quezon City, Quezon City, Project 6 [CHANGE](#)

Standard Delivery 15 - 23 day(s) **Free**

Enjoy free shipping promotion with minimum spend **₱1,000.00** in certain area from ROSYCHIC Health and Beauty Products.

Cash on Delivery Available

Return & Warranty

7 days return to seller
Change of mind is not applicable

Warranty not available

Sold by **ROSYCHIC Health and Beauty Products** [Chat Now](#)

Positive Seller Ratings	Ship on Time	Chat Response Rate
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Figure 4. NATURE'S WAY Standardized Rhodiola 60 Veg Capsules Dietary Supplement


lazada.com.ph/products/rhodiola-rosea-4800mg-180-veggie-capsules-non-gmo-extract-201-vegetarian-amp-gluten-free-max-strength-improve-energy-brai...

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Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Stress, Sleep, and Anxiety > Rhodiola Rosea 4800mg 180 Veggie Capsules (Non-GMO, Extract 20:1, Vegetarian & Gluten Free) Max Strength



Rhodiola Rosea 4800mg 180 Veggie Capsules (Non-GMO, Extract 20:1, Vegetarian & Gluten Free) Max Strength - Improve Energy, Brain Function & Stress Relief

★☆☆☆☆ No Ratings

Brand: OEM United States | More Food Supplement from OEM United States

₱2,714.26

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Quantity

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Delivery Options

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Enjoy free shipping promotion with minimum spend **₱1,500.00** in certain area from elite collection.

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Change of mind is not applicable

Warranty not available

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Figure 5. NUSAPURE Rhodiola 4800 MG Strength Dietary Supplement

The FDA verified through post-marketing surveillance that the abovementioned food products and food supplement are not authorized and the Certificates of Product Registration (CPR) have not been issued. Pursuant to the Republic Act No. 9711, otherwise known as the "Food and Drug Administration Act of 2009", the manufacture, importation, exportation, sale, offering for sale, distribution, transfer, non-consumer use, promotion, advertising or sponsorship of health products without the proper authorization is prohibited.

Since these unregistered food products and food supplement have not gone through evaluation process of the FDA, the agency cannot assure their quality and safety. The consumption of such violative products may pose health risks to consumers.

In light of the foregoing, the public is advised not to purchase the aforementioned violative products. Moreover, the public is advised to always check if a food product or food supplement is registered with the FDA. The FDA website (www.fda.gov.ph) has a *Search* feature which may be used by typing in the name of the product before purchasing.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute violative food products and food supplements until they have been issued the appropriate authorization, a License to Operate for the establishment, and a CPR for the food product or food supplement.

All FDA Regional Field Offices and Regulatory Enforcement Units, in coordination with law enforcement agencies and Local Government Units, are requested to ensure that violative products are not sold or made available in the market or areas of jurisdiction.

To report any sale or distribution of unregistered food products and food supplements, kindly contact us through email at ereport@fda.gov.ph.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.


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