



FDA ADVISORY
No. **2020-987**

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TO: THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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

- 1. BRI NUTRITION Ashwagandha Extra Strength 90 capsules Dietary Supplement**
- 2. DOCTOR'S BEST Ashwagandha with Sensoril Dietary Supplement (125mg/60 Veggie Caps)**
- 3. NOW Standardized Extract Ashwagandha Dietary Supplement (450 mg 90 Veg Capsules)**
- 4. JARROW FORMULA Ashwagandha Dietary Supplement (300 milligrams 120 Veggie Caps)**
- 5. HIMALAYA Ashwagandha Herbal Supplement 60 Caplets**

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

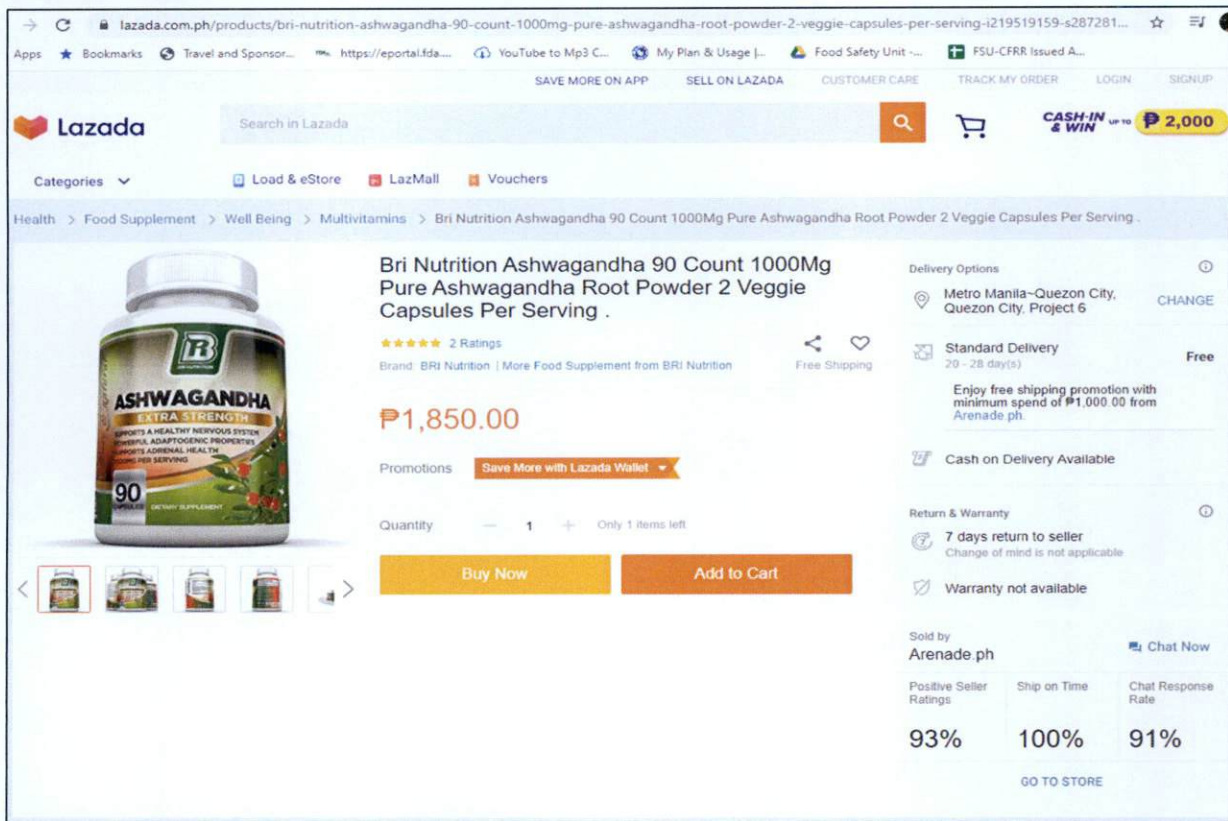




Figure 1. BRI NUTRITION Ashwagandha Extra Strength 90 capsules Dietary Supplement



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Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Multivitamins > Doctor'sBest,Ashwagandha with Sensoril,125 mg, 60Veggie Caps



Doctor'sBest,Ashwagandha with Sensoril,125 mg, 60Veggie Caps

★★★★★ 2 Ratings

Brand Doctor's Best | More Food Supplement from Doctor's Best

₱680.00

Promotions **Save More with Lazada Wallet**

Quantity Only 5 items left

Buy Now **Add to Cart**

Delivery Options

Metro Manila–Quezon City, Quezon City, Project 6 **CHANGE**

Standard Delivery
20 - 28 day(s) **₱40.00**

Enjoy free shipping promotion with minimum spend 2 items in certain area from Healthnow.

Cash on Delivery Available

Return & Warranty

7 days return to seller
Change of mind is not applicable

Warranty not available

Sold by **Healthnow** **Chat Now**

Positive Seller Ratings	Ship on Time	Chat Response Rate
96%	100%	95%



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Figure 2. DOCTOR'S BEST Ashwagandha with Sensoril Dietary Supplement (125mg/60 Veggie Caps)

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Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Multivitamins > Now Foods Ashwagandha 450 mg 90 Veg Capsules Anti-depression Anti-stress Memory booster Lower cholesterol Muscle



Now Foods Ashwagandha 450 mg 90 Veg Capsules Anti-depression Anti-stress Memory booster Lower cholesterol Muscle mass Boost testosterone Fertility Lower Sugar Level

★★★★★ 5 Ratings | 1 Answered Questions

Brand NOW Foods | More Food Supplement from NOW Foods

₱885.00
~~₱1,350.00~~ -34%

Promotions **Save More with Lazada Wallet** **Min. spend ₱1,775.00**

Quantity Only 9 items left

Buy Now **Add to Cart**

Delivery Options

Metro Manila–Quezon City, Quezon City, Project 6 **CHANGE**

Standard Delivery
20 - 28 day(s) **₱40.00**

Enjoy free shipping promotion with minimum spend ₱2,799.00 in certain area from All Herbs And Naturals Health and Beauty Shoppe.

Cash on Delivery Available

Return & Warranty

7 days return to seller
Change of mind is not applicable

Warranty not available

Sold by **All Herbs And Naturals Health and Beauty Shoppe** **Chat Now**

Positive Seller Ratings	Ship on Time	Chat Response Rate
93%	100%	98%

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Figure 3. NOW Standardized Extract Ashwagandha Dietary Supplement (450 mg 90 Veg Capsules)


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

Categories

Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Immunity > Jarrow Formulas, Ashwagandha, 300 mg, 120 Veggie Caps



Jarrow Formulas, Ashwagandha, 300 mg, 120 Veggie Caps

★★★★★ 1 Ratings

Brand: Jarrow Formulas | More Food Supplement from Jarrow Formulas

₱1,380.00

Promotions

Quantity:

Buy Now **Add to Cart**

Delivery Options

Metro Manila-Quezon City, Quezon City, Project 6 **CHANGE**

Standard Delivery ₱40.00
20 - 28 day(s)

Enjoy free shipping promotion with minimum spend 2 items in certain area from Healthnow.

Cash on Delivery Available

Return & Warranty

7 days return to seller
Change of mind is not applicable

Warranty not available

Sold by **Healthnow**

Positive Seller Ratings	Ship on Time	Chat Response Rate
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Figure 4. JARROW FORMULA Ashwagandha Dietary Supplement (300 milligrams 120 Veggie Caps)

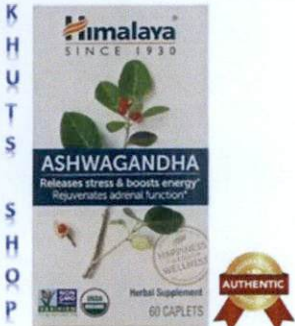
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Categories

Health > Food Supplement > Well Being > Multivitamins > Himalaya, Ashwagandha, 60 Caplets



Himalaya, Ashwagandha, 60 Caplets

☆☆☆☆ No Ratings | 4 Answered Questions

Brand: Himalaya | More Food Supplement from Himalaya

₱1,260.00

Promotions

Quantity: Only 3 items left

Buy Now **Add to Cart**

Delivery Options

Metro Manila-Quezon City, Quezon City, Project 6 **CHANGE**

Standard Delivery ₱40.00
18 - 27 day(s)

Cash on Delivery Available

Return & Warranty

7 days return to seller
Change of mind is not applicable

Warranty not available

Sold by **Khuts Shop**

Positive Seller Ratings	Ship on Time	Chat Response Rate
100%	100%	100%

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Figure 5. HIMALAYA Ashwagandha Herbal Supplement 60 Caplets

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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