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FDA ADVISORY
No. **2020-1354**

TO: **ALL HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

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

1. **TSAA LAYA Java Banaba Herbal Tea**
2. **MANA Matcha Bar**
3. **MANA Plant Protein Bar**
4. **MANA Nutty Professor**
5. **TAKE ROOT Energy Bar Apple Pie**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns all healthcare professionals and the general public **NOT TO PURCHASE AND CONSUME** the following unregistered food products:

realfoodph.com/product/java-banaba-herb-tea/



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SOLE BLENDED CORN AND RYE

JAVA BANABA TEA BAG

Tsaa Laya



Cat's Whisker/Java Banaba in tea bags (30g)

Ingredients: Java Banaba

Cat's Whisker (Java Banaba) is commonly used to treat renal inflammation, kidney stones, and dysuria. It contains antioxidant compounds like carminic acid, benzoic acid, lactic acid, glycolic acid, malonic acid, and p-coumaric acid.

Antioxidant

Anti-inflammatory

Antihypertensive

Antidiabetic

Antineoplastic

Antigout

Diuretic

Neuroprotective

Figure 1. Unregistered TSAA LAYA Java Banaba Herbal Tea





HOME SHACKS

MATCHA BAR

Mana



Raw and refined sugar free matcha chocolate bars made with apple, raisins, matcha, nut butter, dates, coconut, honey, oats and dark chocolate.

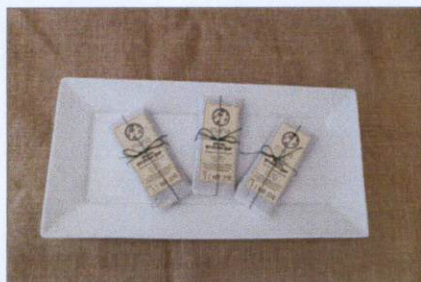
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Figure 2. Unregistered MANA Matcha Bar



HOME GLUTEN-FREE

PLANT PROTEIN BAR

Mana



Raw, vegan, gluten free and refined sugar free bars made with quinoa, chia seeds, dates, raisins, nut butter, flaxseeds, cashews, sunflower seeds, pumpkin seeds, goji berries and cranberries

₱130.00

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Figure 3. Unregistered MANA Plant Protein Bar



HOME SALES & BARS

NUTTY PROFESSOR

Mana



Energy balls made with oats, nut butter mix, honey, dark chocolate and cinnamon.

₱80.00

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Figure 4. Unregistered MANA Nutty Professor



HOME SALES & BARS

APPLE PIE ENERGY BAR

Take Root



Energy bar made with plant-based protein. Dairy-free, soy-free, wheat-free. Made with peanut butter, oats, honey, coconut nectar, crisped rice, apple, almonds, vegan protein powder, cinnamon and nutmeg.

₱100.00

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Figure 5. Unregistered TAKE ROOT Energy Bar Apple Pie

The FDA verified through online monitoring that the abovementioned food products are not registered and no corresponding Certificates of Product Registration (CPR) have 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 have not gone through evaluation process of the FDA, the agency cannot assure its quality and safety.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute, advertise, or sell the said violative food products until CPR are issued, otherwise, regulatory actions and sanctions shall be strictly pursued. Always check if a product has been registered with the FDA before purchasing it by making use of the embedded *Search* feature of the FDA website accessible at www.fda.gov.ph. You may also look for the FDA Registration number on the product label, if available or the name of the product.

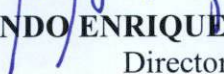
All Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) and Local Government Unit (LGUs) are requested to ensure that these products are not sold or made available in the market or areas of jurisdiction.

The Bureau of Customs is urged to restrain the entry of these unregistered products.

For more information and inquiries about this advisory, kindly contact the FDA Center for Food Regulation and Research through email cfrr@fda.gov.ph indicating on the subject the concerned Advisory, or call (02)857-1900 local 8105 and 8112.

To report any sale or distribution of unregistered product, the online reporting facility, **eReport** can be accessed at www.fda.gov.ph/ereport.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.


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