

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



FDA ADVISORY No. 2020-1954

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TO:

GENERAL CONSUMING PUBLIC

SUBJECT:

<u>Public Health Warning Against the Purchase and Use of</u> the following <u>Unauthorized Cosmetic Product:</u>

- 1. MISSTINE ESSENTIALS THE PINK BLEACH SOAP
- 2. <u>MISSTINE ESSENTIALS MAKE IT WHITE</u> INTENSIVE BLEACHING LOTION
- 3. MISSTINE ESSENTIALS LET'S GLOW PINK SERUM

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns the public from purchasing and using the following unauthorized cosmetic products. (Refer to the image below)



Source: https://www.facebook.com/MisstineEssentialsOfficial090119/photos/pcb.377589436950829/377588956950877/?type=3&theater



The abovementioned products were verified by FDA through post marketing surveillance and shows no valid Certificate of Product Notification (CPN) as of 19 October 2020. Pursuant to Book II, Article I, Section 1 (a) of the Rules and Regulations Implementing 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 any health product without the proper authorization from the FDA is prohibited.

Since the abovementioned unauthorized cosmetic product has not gone through the notification process of the FDA, the agency cannot assure their quality and safety. The use of such violative product may pose health risks to consumers.

Potential hazards may come from ingredients that are not allowed to be part of a cosmetic product or from the contamination of heavy metals. The use of substandard and possibly adulterated cosmetic products may result to adverse reactions including, but not limited to, skin irritation, itchiness, anaphylactic shock and organ failure.

In light of the foregoing, the public is advised not to purchase the aforementioned violative cosmetic product. Moreover, the public is advised to always check if a cosmetic product is notified with the FDA through its website (ww2.fda.gov.ph). It has a Search feature which may be used by typing in the name of the product before deciding on purchasing and/or using the said product.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute violative cosmetic product until they have fully complied with the rules and regulation of the FDA.

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 their jurisdiction.

To report any sale, distribution, complaint and/or adverse event on the use of the violative cosmetic products, the online reporting facility, eReport can be accessed at ereport@fda.gov.ph, or call us at the Center for Cosmetics Regulation and Research (CCRR) hotline (02) 8857-1900 loc. 8113 or 8107.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.

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