



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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FDA ADVISORY
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TO : THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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

1. ARKS MANTICA PREMIUM COCONUT COOKING OIL
2. SMART COCONUT COOKING OIL

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns the public against the following unregistered and **unfortified** food oil products:



Figure 1. ARKS MANTICA Premium Coconut Cooking Oil
By Mega Arks Enterprises and Manufacturing Corp.





Figure 2. SMART Coconut Cooking Oil
by Platinum 8 Marketing Dist. Inc.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has monitored the abovementioned unregistered food products and **FDA Laboratory Test Result** showed that these products do not contain Vitamin A hence, do not conform to the specification as required by Republic Act No. 8976 or the *The Food Fortification Law*:

Furthermore, since these unregistered food products have not gone through product registration, the FDA cannot guarantee their quality and safety. The consumption of such violative products may pose potential health hazards to the consuming public.

In light of the foregoing, the public is advised not to purchase the aforementioned violative products. Moreover, the public is advised to be vigilant against food products that might not be duly registered with FDA. Always check if a food product has been registered with FDA before purchasing it by making use of the embedded *Search* feature of the FDA website accessible at www.fda.gov.ph.

For more information and inquiries, please e-mail us at info@fda.gov.ph. To report continuous sale or distribution of the above unregistered food products, utilize our online reporting facility, **eReport**, at www.fda.gov.ph/ereport, or e-mail us via report@fda.gov.ph, or call us at the Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) hotline (02) 857-1900 loc. 8115 and 8112.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.


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