

# MINISTRY OF HEALTH PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOTICE ON FALSIFIED USP/EP PROPYLENE GLYCOL DETECTED IN PAKISTAN

The Pharmacy and Poisons Board (the Board) has received an alert from the World Health Organization (WHO) regarding three batches of falsified USP/EP Propylene Glycol detected in Pakistan. The details of these falsified batches are as follows:

Product	Batch/Lot No	Stated	Mfg Date	Exp Date
		Manufacturer		
DOW Propylene	F9600L7PPA4	Dow Europe GmbH	18-10-2023	18-10-2025
Glycol USP/EP			10	
DOW Propylene	F8900L8PPD6	Dow Europe GmbH	Feb 2023	Feb 2025
Glycol USP/EP				
DOW USP/EP	SS8900B3PPD5	The Dow Chemical	18/May/2023	Not stated
Propylene Glycol		Company	ACCOUNTS	

Authentic DOW USP/EP PROPYLENE GLYCOL is a raw material (excipient) used in pharmaceutical and other manufacturing processes, adhering to the United States and European Pharmacopoeias (USP/EP) standards for medicinal use.

The falsified raw materials referenced in this alert should be considered unsafe and should not be used in the manufacture of medical products or any products intended for human use. They may be contaminated with unknown substances such as, but not limited to, diethylene glycol (DEG) and or ethylene glycol (EG). Consuming such contaminants can lead to toxic effects, including abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, difficulty urinating, headache, altered mental state, and acute kidney injury, which may lead to death.

In an effort to safeguard public health and safety, manufacturers in possession of these falsified batches are urged to **immediately quarantine** the products and report to the Pharmacy and Poisons Board offices for further guidance and necessary action. Further, the PPB will take stern regulatory action against persons found to be manufacturing, distributing, or promoting any finished products that may be manufactured using falsified raw materials.

If you have any information about the use or supply of these falsified and contaminated raw materials, please contact PPB via <a href="mailto:pms@ppb.go.ke">pms@ppb.go.ke</a>

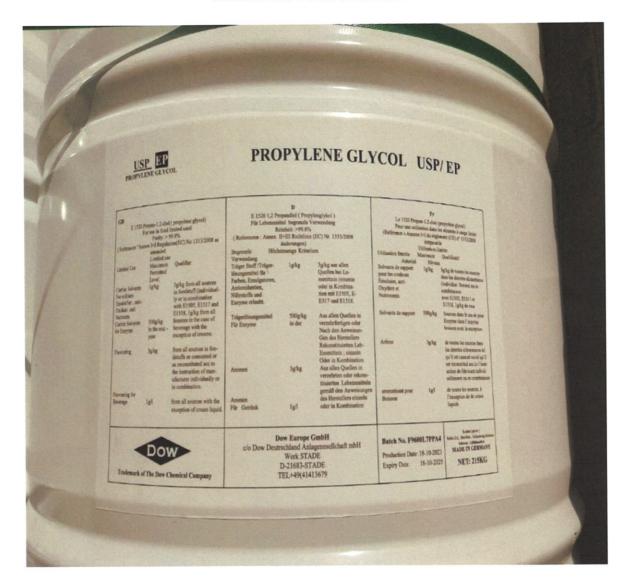
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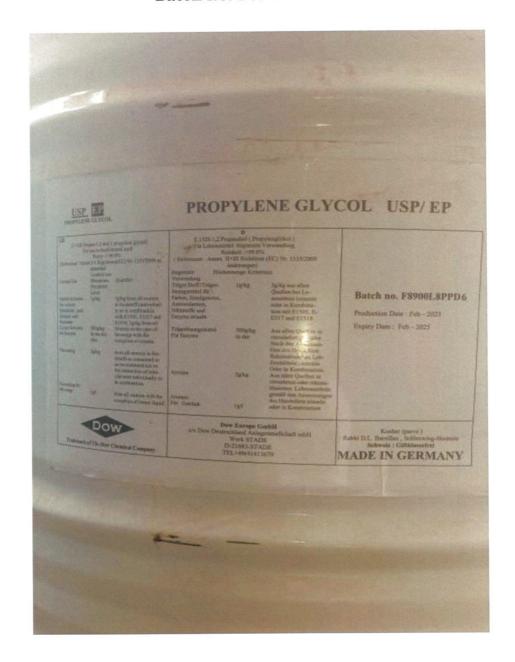
11th November 2024

## Photos of the falsified batches

Batch No: F9600L7PPA4



Batch No: F8900L8PPD6



#### Lot No. SS8900B3PPD5

