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https://www.brecorder.com/news/40324992/mnc-deposits-rs15m-penalty-into-exchequer

## Profit by Pakistan Today

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## The Diplomatic sight

#### Dettol Ad Claims Lead to 15M Penalty

Reckitt Benckiser (RB) Pakistan has complied with the recent ruling of the Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP), depositing a PKR 15 million penalty in the national exchequer for violating Section 10 of the Competition Act, 2010.

The penalty was imposed in connection with unsubstantiated claims made in RB's advertising campaign for Dettol Soap.

The issue came to light after Unilever Pakistan lodged a formal complaint against Reckitt Benckiser.

That accused the company of misleading advertising.

RB's campaign claimed that Dettol Soap could eliminate 99.9% of germs and provide 24-hour protection against germs, colds, and flu.

So that after conducting a detailed investigation, the CCP determined that RB's claims lacked sufficient scientific evidence to back them up.

As a result, the CCP ruled that these advertisements violated the Competition Act and initially imposed a PKR 30 million penalty on Reckitt Benckiser.

RB appealed the CCP's findings to the Competition Appellate Tribunal (CAT), seeking a review of the decision.

On July 11, 2024, the tribunal upheld the CCP's ruling but reduced the penalty from PKR 30 million to PKR 15 million.

This cited mitigating factors. The Tribunal granted RB 60 days to deposit the reduced amount.

As the deadlines for the payment approached, the CCP issued a recovery notice to Reckitt Benckiser on September 26, 2024.

The notice reminds the company of its obligation to comply with the Tribunal's order.

RB responded promptly by depositing the PKR 15 million penalty.

https://thediplomaticinsight.com/dettol-ad-claims-lead-to-15m-penalty/

### Pakistan Observer

#### Reckitt Benckiser pays Rs15 million fine for misleading advertisement

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The Competition Commission of Pakistan, following a thorough inquiry, found Reckitt Benckiser's claims about Dettol Soap to be unsubstantiated and in violation of Section 10 of the Competition Act, 2010. Consequently, a penalty of Rs30 million was imposed.

RB appealed the CCP's findings to the Competition Appellate Tribunal (CAT). On July 11, 2024, the Tribunal upheld the CCP's decision but reduced the penalty from Rs30 million to Rs15 million, allowing RB 60 days to deposit the amount.

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https://pakobserver.net/reckitt-benckiser-pays-rs15-million-fine-for-misleading-advertisement/

### **Associated Press of Pakistan**

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https://www.app.com.pk/business/reckitt-benckiser-complies-with-tribunal-order-deposits-rs-15-million-as-penalty/

## Pro Pakistani

#### Dettol Owner Pays Rs. 15 Million Fine Over False Claims in Ads

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https://propakistani.pk/2024/10/02/dettol-owner-pays-rs-15-million-fine-over-false-claims-in-ads/

## **Daily Ausaf**

# Dettol owner deposits Rs.15 million penalty for misleading advertising claims

IReckitt Benckiser (RB) Pakistan has taken a significant step towards regulatory compliance by depositing a Rs. 15 million penalty into the national exchequer, as directed by the Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP).

This development stems from a complaint by Unilever Pakistan, alleging that RB's advertising campaign for Dettol Soap was misleading.

The campaign claimed that Dettol Soap could eliminate 99.9% of germs and provide 24-hour protection against germs, colds, and flu. However, upon investigation, the CCP found these claims to be unsubstantiated and in violation of Section 10 of the Competition Act, 2010.

Initially, the CCP imposed a penalty of Rs. 30 million on RB. RB appealed this decision to the Competition Appellate Tribunal (CAT), which upheld the CCP's findings but reduced the penalty to Rs. 15 million.

The Tribunal allowed RB 60 days to deposit the amount, and following the deadline, the CCP issued a recovery notice on September 26, 2024.

Demonstrating its commitment to compliance, RB promptly deposited the Rs. 15 million penalty, adhering to the Tribunal's order.

This outcome highlights the importance of regulatory compliance in Pakistan's business landscape. The CCP's actions serve as a reminder to companies to ensure the accuracy and substantiation of their advertising claims, maintaining fair competition and protecting consumer interests.

https://dailyausaf.com/en/pakistan/dettol-owner-deposits-rs-15-million-penalty-for-misleading-advertising-claims/

### **Bloom Pakistan**

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اسلام آباد (اُردو پواننٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 01 اکتوبر 2024ء) غیر مصدقہ اور غیر حقیقی دعونوں کمپنی میسرز پر مبنی گمراہ کن اشتہارات چلانے پر کمپٹیشن کمیشن کے حکم پر صابن بنانے والی مشہور جرمانہ جمع کرا دیئے ہیں۔ گمراہ کن پاکستان نے قومی خزانے میں ڈیڑھ کروڑ روپے ریکٹ بینکیزر مارکیٹنگ اور غیر حقیقی دعوے کمپٹیشن ایکٹ کے سیکشن 10 کی خلاف ورزی ہے۔ پاکستان نے کمیشن میں ایک باضابطہ شکایت کمپنی یونی لیور اس شعبے میں کام کرنے والی ایک دوسری دائر کی تھی جس میں ریکٹ بینکیزر پر گمراہ کن اشتہارات کا الزام لگایا گیا تھا درخواست کے مطابق کمپنی اشتہارات میں دعوی کرتی ہے کہ ان کا صابن ڈیٹول سوپ ننانوے اعشاریہ نو فیصد تک جراثیم متعلقہ کمپنی اشتہارات میں دعوی کرتی ہے کہ ان کا صابن ڈیٹول سوپ ننانوے اعشاریہ نو فیصد تک جراثیم متعلقہ کمپنی اشتہارات میں دعوی کرتی ہے کہ ان کا صابن ڈیٹول سوپ ننانوے اعشاریہ نو فیصد تک تحفظ فراہم کرتا ہے۔

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https://www.urdupoint.com/daily/livenews/2024-10-01/news-4174832.html

# ڈیٹول بنانے والی ریکٹ بینکیزر نے گمراہ کن اشتہارات پر ڈیڑھ کروڑ روپے جرمانہ ادا کردیا

منگل 1 اكتوبر 2024 ارشاد انصارى

سی سی پی کے مطابق گمران کن مارکیٹنگ اور غیر حقیقی دعوے کمپٹیشن ایکٹ کے سیکشن 10 کی خلاف ورزی ہیں، اسی شعبے میں کام کرنے والی ایک دوسری کمپنی یونی لیور پاکستان نے کمیشن میں ایک باضابطہ شکایت دائر کی تھی جس میں ریکٹ بینکیزر پر گمراہ کن اشتہارات کا الزام لگایا گیا تھا۔

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https://www.express.pk/story/2715752/6/#google\_vignette

### **Business Recorder**

## MNC deposits Rs15m penalty into exchequer

RECORDER REPORT

ISLAMABAD: A multinational company has deposited a penalty of Rs15 million into the national exchequer in line with the order of the Competition Appellate Tribunal (CAT).

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