FSSAI ORDERS, ADVISORIES, NOTIFICATIONS & DIRECTIONS

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An International food safety and quality standard-setting body; Codex Alimentarius Commission Praised India's Standards on Millets

The Codex Alimentarious Commission (CAC) has praised India's Standards on Millets and accepted its proposal for the development of global standards for millets during its 46th session held in Rome, Italy.

India has framed a comprehensive group standard for 15 types of millets specifying 8 quality parameters i.e., maximum limits for moisture content, uric acid content, extraneous matter, other edible grains, defects, weevilled grains and immature and shrivelled grains.

(01 DECEMBER 2023)

FSSAI has streamlined the procedure for reactivation of Auto-Rejected Licensing/Registration Applications due to non-response to the queries of licensing/registration authority within the specified timeline

FSSAI has decided to allow FBOs to self-reactivate their auto rejected applications [due to non-response to the queries of licensing/registration authority within the specified timeline] on FoSCoS portal with effect from 4th December, 2023.

The provision for self-reactivation shall be provided only once for any field of application without any intervention of the authority and no fees for the first 30 days. During the period of 31st to 60th day of self-reactivation, payment of fee is applicable i.e., for Registration application (Rs. 50 + GST) and License application (Rs. 500 + GST).

This provision is not applicable to cases where grant of license has been rejected by Designated Officer. This order shall supersede all previous orders on this matter.

(05 DECEMBER 2023)

FSSAI has extended time-period for compliance of provision of warning statement for 'Pan Masala'

FSSAI has decided to further defer the enforcement of 'Note' i.e. "The warning statement must cover 50% of front-of-pack of the label" in Schedule-II of FSS (Labelling and Display) 2nd Amendment Regulations, 2022 for a period of 6 months with effect from 1st November, 2023 due to the representations received from association, industry requesting extension of time-period for compliance to this amendment so as to utilize or exhaust the existing packaging material.

(07 DECEMBER 2023)

Enforcement for compliance of Recommended Dietary Allowance, 2020 (RDA 2020) from January 1, 2024

FSSAI has decided to enforce the Recommended Daily Allowance (RDA 2020) for the Indian population from January 1, 2024 for compliance. On July 1, 2023 FSSAI has given the extension for 6 months for the implementation of RDA 2020, owning to challenges faced in reformation of products and inventory of old packaging materials lying with FBOs.

Enforcement of Unit Sale Price as per the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2022

Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2022 for declaration of Unit Sale Price on the packaged commodity shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 2024.

Enforcement of mandatory declarations for the loose commodities ordered through e-commerce platforms as per the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2023

As per Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2023 declarations are made mandate for the loose commodities ordered through e-commerce platforms (Name & address, consumer care details, M.R.P., and net quantity) and shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 2024.