

## File No. 1-2/Food Safety Mitra/FSSAI/2019-20 Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (A Statutory body under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) (Regulatory Compliance Division) FDA Bhavan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110 002

Dated: 22.10.2019

To,

All the State Food Safety Commissioner

Subject: Introduction of Food Safety Mitra (FSM) scheme of FSSAI-Reg.

Reference: Letter of even No. dated 11.10.2019.

Sir/Madam,

Please refer to the subject cited above.

In continuation to this office letter of even No. dated 11.10.2019 cited as reference above, it is informed that the Food Safety Mitra scheme has been launched by Hon'ble Minister of Health & Family Welfare on the occasion of World Food Day on 16.10.2019. A copy of the press release dated 16.10.2019, along with few photographs of the occasion are also attached herewith.

Further, FSSAI has launched an online portal for the same i.e. <a href="https://fssai.gov.in/mitra/">https://fssai.gov.in/mitra/</a> and the registrations on the same for **Digital Mitra** have already been started. The detailed brochure for the Food Safety Mitra scheme containing the structure and fees etc. is also available at <a href="https://fssai.gov.in/mitra/doc/fsm.pdf">https://fssai.gov.in/mitra/doc/fsm.pdf</a> At the initial stage, the training and assessment for the said scheme to the individuals will be provided by **FSSAI through its Regional Offices** so that the scheme is implemented in a swift and effective manner.

In order to promote the awareness of the said scheme in the public and boost the participation of the candidates, it is requested that a workshop of at least **40-50 participants** may be organised at the State Level. The interested candidates may be apprised about the scheme and encourage to enrol for the Digital Mitra which has already been started. The said workshops may be organised by the end of next month i.e. **November**, **2019**.

Further, the assistance of the Network of Professionals of Food and Nutrition in India (NetPro.FaN) chapters of your respective states may also be taken so as to encourage the participation of the candidates in the Digital Mitra part of the Food Safety Mitra scheme through the above said portal.

Yours faithfully,

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(Dr. Shobhit Jain) Executive Director (CS)

## Copy To:

- 1. Director, FSSAI, Regional Offices- Delhi/Kolkata/Mumbai/Chennai- for information and with the request to coordinate with the respective State Food Safety Commissioners to expedite the actions on above directions so as to ensure that the Food Safety Mitra scheme is implemented in a swift and effective manner.
- 2. Head (IT), FSSAI: with a request to upload on website.