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Meat stalls inspected

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Officials of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) on Tuesday inspected meat stalls in the city. The inspections were held three days after a large consignment of meat, suspected to be that of dogs, was seized at Egmore railway station.

Designated Officer of FSSAI in Coimbatore B. Vijayalalithambigai said that no adulterations were found in the 28 shops selling chicken, mutton, beef, and egg that were inspected at Vadavalli and Saibaba Colony on Tuesday.

"All the shops inspected were selling fresh meat, though some of the shops were run in an unhygienic manner. Shop owners and employees were instructed to run the business in hygienic conditions," said Ms. Vijayalalithambigai.

Of the 16 shops inspected at Saibaba Colony, all of them had licence issued by the FSSAI. At Vadavalli, six out of the 12 shops inspected did not have licence. A camp has been planned to issue FSSAI licence to them," she said.

The meat shop owners have been instructed to slaughter animals for sale only at the Coimbatore Corporation's slaughter house.