

Health team collects 12 milk, food samples

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A team of the District Food Administration, Jalandhar, headed by Dr Balwinder Singh, District Health Officer, along with other officials, collected 12 samples of milk and other food items from various areas of the city in the wee hours today.

The collected samples include six milk samples, one biscuit, one mustard oil, one sweets, one sauce, one paneer and a sample of tomato puree.

Samples of sweets as well milk were collected from sweets shops at Model Town, Rainak Bazaar and Saida Gate. The team collected the samples of milk products and raided sweets shops to find whether the food safety guidelines were being followed or not.

DHO Balwinder Singh said the checking was started at 5.30 am and various check posts were set up for the inspection of vehicles that carry and deliver milk to homes.



He also said if low quality milk and milk products were found from any sweets shop/dairy, legal action would be initiated.

Owners of the sweets shops were also directed not to store their sweetmeat items and khoya, etc., at cold stores. However, they could store these products under hygienic and temperature-controlled conditions on their own premises.

Dr Balwinder said: "The routine checking and inspection at various city outlets and dairies will be continued." He said the department had collected 82 samples and the team would raid various rehris in Bhogpur and check whether they were selling any unhygienic products.

He added that the food administration would ensure that no low quality or sub-standard material was being sold in the city.