

Food safety teams seize mustard oil

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The Food and Drug Administration on Tuesday seized adulterated mustard oil from various parts of the state.

KS Pannu, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Punjab, said the Fazilka food safety team in a raid at NG Oil Mill, Abohar, found impure mustard oil to the tune of 725 litres and 352 litres of edible oil. Samples were taken for further investigation and the stock was seized. The manufacturer was selling adulterated edible oil as mustard oil. The teams sealed the packaging part of the factory and an oil tanker was also sealed. The team also seized 46 litres of Royal Taj cooking medium being sold as desi ghee from Abhey Trading Company being run from domestic premises.

He said earlier, a Ludhiana team inspected and sealed an oil manufacturing unit near Ahmedgarh. The packaged material, which contained nearly 168 litres of mustard oil, was seized and the unit was sealed. Misbranded mustard oil was also found in a factory at Khanna.

A Faridkot team inspected Subhash Flour Mills, Jaito, and found two different brands of mustard oils being sold. In all, 18 boxes of Dhann brand mustard oil weighing 159 kg and 10 boxes of Aniya brand weighing 96 kg were found. Samples were taken from each brand and the stock was impounded.

Inspections at Krishna Traders, Hoshiarpur, unearthed 180 kg of adulterated desi ghee made from vanaspati. The stock was seized and the samples of desi ghee and vanaspati were taken for investigation.

The food safety wing, Pathankot, inspected oil repacking units Arora Oil and Flour Mill and Laxman Singh and Sons. Both did not possess a licence from the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India.