

# Food Safety team inspects various sweet shops, lifts samples for analysis

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JAMMU, Aug 25: Food Safety wing of Drug & Food Controller Organization, Jammu inspected various sweet shops and other food establishments, and lifted samples for analysis. On the directions of Commissioner, Food Safety, a special drive in connection with Rakshabandhan was conducted by Dr Parvesh Kumar, Assistant Commissioner, Food Safety Jammu, along with Food Safety officers in the municipal limits of Jammu. During the drive, the Food Safety team inspected various food establishments, mostly sweet shops, in New Plot, Bakshi Nagar, Channi Himmat, Shahidi Chowk, Gandhi Nagar, Raghunath Bazaar and other adjoining areas and lifted samples of sweets. The team lifted samples of Ladoo from Shiv Sweet Shop, New Plot; Milk Cake from Prem Sweet Shop, New Plot; Burfi from Guru Kirpa Sweet Shop and Sharma Sweet Shop, Bakshi Nagar; Kalakand from Jai Ambe Sweet Shop, Bakshi Nagar; Ladoo from Pahalawan Sweet Shop, Gandhi Nagar and Milk Cake from Navdurga Sweet Shop, Aquaf Market, Gandhi Nagar. Besides, samples of Almond and Walnuts were lifted from Dewan Dry Fruit, Raghunath Bazaar; samples of milk from Vermani General Store, Channi Himmat; samples of ice cream from Pawan Fruit Ice Cream, Shakti Nagar and samples of sweetened carbonated water (Thums up) were lifted from Mohan Juice Corner, Shahidi Chowk. All the samples were sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Patoli (Jammu) to check their purity and adulteration if any.

Meanwhile, the Food Safety team also conducted a one-day awareness programme at Gandhi Nagar for operators of sweet shops. A large number of operators of sweet shops and other food establishments participated in the programme, during which Dr Parvesh asked them to maintain hygiene at all levels in their establishments and obey FSS norms. He also asked them to refrain from any type of adulteration in sweets and other food items, which will invite strict action by the concerned Food Safety officers.