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FDA team collects samples from sweetshops in Karond

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Bhopal: A day ahead of Makar Sankranti, food safety officials collected samples of sweets made of til (sesame) from sweetshops on Tuesday. A team of food safety officials took six samples consisting of til ladoos, til papdis, gur, edible oil and gajaks from shops in Karond and Gulmohar area and sent them for testing at the food lab under the provisions of the Food Safety & Standard Act (FSSA).

Senior food safety officer D K Verma said that Bhopal is on the top in the entire state in collection of samples of edibles for purity test. A total of 650 samples of edibles of different types have been collected so far in Bhopal district alone.

Meanwhile, the mobile food lab, which is going to different places in the city since January 9 to create public awareness on state government's drive against adulteration (shudh ke liye yudh), was in Nishatpura and Kabitpura on Tuesday.

The food safety team and technicians accompanying the lab talked to 20 to 22 people during the day, gave them simple tips to find out impurity in their food stuff at home itself and put to test 32 food items brought by people of the two areas for purity test.

On Wednesday, the mobile van will go to Jehangirabad, Malviya Nagar and Jawahar Chowk and interact with people and carry out free food tests for the residents of these areas.