

भारतीय खाद्य सुरक्षा एवं मानक प्राधिकरण

वेबसाइट पर अपलोड करने के लिए

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Important policy decisions taken and major achievements of FSSAI		
<u>SCIENCE AND STANDARDS</u>		
During the month of March 2024, the meetings of the following Scientific Panels and Expert Committees were organised to formulate the standards of articles of foods and processing of applications of non-specified foods, & other scientific matters respectively.		
S. No.	Name of Scientific Panel/Expert Committee of FSSAI	Date
1.	Expert Committee 4 for approval of non-specified food and food ingredients	04.03.2024
2.	Scientific Panel on Fruits & Vegetables and their products (including dried fruits and nuts)	12.03.2024
3.	Scientific Panel on Pesticide Residues	14.03.2024 & 15.03.2024
4.	sub group meeting on triglycerides method (SP-14)	18.03.2024
5.	Scientific Panel on Water (including flavoured water) & Beverages(non-alcoholic)	18.03.2024
6.	Scientific Panel on Milk and Milk Products	19.03.2024
7.	Meeting of the Working Group on “Food Colours”	19.03.2024
8.	Expert Committee 5 for approval of non-specified food and food ingredients	20.03.2024

9.	Scientific Panel on Meat and Meat Products including Poultry	27.03.2024
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SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL CHANGE

- A total of 24 social media posts were created and circulated for generating public awareness through different social media platforms of FSSAI. Details of the social media posts is attached at **Annexure-I**.
- Total number of certificates awarded under the Eat Right India initiatives are mentioned below:

S. No.	Name of Initiative	Total Number of Certifications
1.	Eat Right Places of Worship	24
2.	Eat Right Campus	11
3.	Eat Right Street Food Hub	9

- Eat Right Millets Mela and Walkathon are organised in various parts of the country to raise awareness about the health and nutritional benefits of millets among the society. Shri G. Kamala VardhanaRao, IAS, CEO, FSSAI chaired the Millets AaharaMela 2024 which was organized at BMS College of Engineering, Bengaluru from 16th March 2024 to 17th March 2024. Also an Eat Right Millets Mela and Walkathon was organized at University of Petroleum and Energy Studies, Dehradun, Uttarakhand on 22nd March 2024.
- FSSAI participated in the 38th AAHAR-International Food and Hospitality Fair which was organised from 7th March 2024 to 11th March 2024 at Bharat Mandapam, PragatiMaidan, New Delhi.

Annexure-I.

Details of Social Media Posts created and circulated in the month of March 2024

Social Media Posts - March 2024		
S.no	Series	No. of Tweets
1	#FoSTaCtraining	6

2	#CCFH	2
3	#InternationalWomensDay	2
4	#MilletsAaharaMela2024	2
5	#EatRightStreetFoodHub	1
6	#EatRightSchool	1
7	#HappyHoli	1
8	#FoodSafetyAwarenessDrive	1
9	#FBOMeet	1
10	#FSSAI	1
11	#Refreshertrainingprogram	1
12	#43rdCAC	1
13	#SessiononMRLofpesticidesforTeagrowers	1
14	#AIFPASeminar	1
15	#Walkathon	1
16	#EatRightMilletsMela	1
Total		24

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

- **Removal of Products 'Premix for FRK' and 'FRK' from Active Registrations**

FSSAI vide order dated 8th March 2023, has taken steps towards strengthening the quality of Fortified Rice in the country. FSSAI has directed all the manufacturers of FRK and Premix for FRK to upload batch wise production details and lab test reports on the FoSCoS portal. Further, FSSAI has restricted the manufacturing of FRK and Premix for FRK under Registration Certificate to ensure higher amount of compliance.

- **Creation of Food Category in FoSCos**

FSSAI vide order dated 15th March 2024 defined the food product categories for edible dried fruit seeds/edible dried vegetable seeds for the purpose of licensing through Food Safety Compliance System. Draft Standards for the edible seeds will be notified soon.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

- Work for "Setting up of Microbiological Section and Installation of Equipment on Turnkey Basis" is under process for the following laboratories: Aurangabad, Jaipur, Mysore, Thiruvananthapuram, Bengaluru, Belagavi, Bhubaneswar, Vadodara, Patna, Bhopal, Solan, Varanasi, Ranchi, Singtam, Rudrapur, Agartala and Bhuj.
- The total number of Food Safety on Wheels (FSW) deployed is 261, out of which 232 are registered on the FSW portal. Recently, 45 FSW units were sanctioned to the states of Madhya Pradesh (40) and Sikkim (5) under the Work Plan for the fiscal year 2023-24, resulting in a total number of sanctioned FSW units being 453.
- The results of 9th Food Analyst Practical Examination (9th FAE 2023) were published on 22nd March 2024 on FSSAI Website. A total of 109 candidates successfully

passed the examination.

- One training program was conducted on March 26, 2024 at NIFTEM, Thanjavur on the topic "Workshop on Food Safety and Quality Assurance" in which 09 laboratory Personnel participated.
- A *Flash* Surveillance of Coffee has been planned in March'2024 across the 4 major cities (Delhi-NCR, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai) of India simultaneously to assess the coffee samples (Roasted, ground, decaffeinated roasted and ground coffee, Soluble Coffee Powder, decaffeinated soluble coffee powder, Coffee - Chicory Mixture, Instant Coffee - Chicory Mixture, decaffeinated Roasted and Ground coffee-chicory mixture, Decaffeinated Instant coffee chicory mixture) for compliance of Safety and quality Parameters as per FSSR. A total of 400 samples will be collected by CFSOs of NRO, WRO, ERO, and SRO and samples will be analysed by NFL Ghaziabad, NFL Mumbai, NFL Kolkata, and NFL Chennai. Currently, the sampling is being undertaken by the regional offices, and upon the completion of sampling the coffee samples will be analysed by the NFLs and subsequent data will be shared with the Surveillance Team, Quality Assurance, FSSAI HQ, which shall be analysed and collated to develop a summary report on the status of compliance.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

A. Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS):

1.) Designated Officers have been allowed to create and manage RA and FSO roles in FOSCOs
2.) Streamlining annual return filing of FY 2024-25 by FBOs by minimizing the number of fields required in annual return form thus making it more simplified and convenient.
3.) Single sign on into FoRTrace portal through FOSCOs
4.) Creation of Risk Based Inspection pool in FOSCOs for FY 2024-25
5.) Authorities are now able to send bulk improvement notices to FBOs who have not undergone Third Party Audit and not filed Annual Return in FoscOs.

B. Food Safety Training and Certification:

1.) **Implementation of TOT Fee:** Provision for collecting FOSTAC Training of Trainer (ToT) fee through FSSAI e-payment portal. A fee of Rs. 5000+ 18% GST is levied for TOT course.
2.) **Facilitating Online Training:** Provision for conducting closed online FOSTAC training for employees of FBOs situated across different localities
3.) **Augmented batch size:** Maximum number of food handlers trained per batch in offline training of basic FOSTAC courses increased from 50 to 100.

C. FoRTrace

1.) This innovative system ensures that every batch of fortified rice is traceable and meets quality standards. It's a game-changer for ensuring safer and more nutritious rice for all. The module is integrated with INFOLNET which enables the addition and management of a list of labs capable of testing Fortified Rice (FR), Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK), and Premix for FRK, with seamless API communication

between FRQMS and Infolnet.

2.) Initiation of uniform product list across InfoLnet and FoSCoS has been successfully completed and is now live, ensuring seamless alignment and accessibility for users.

TRAINING

Name of Training	Number of trainings	Number of people trained
FoSTaC (FSS+COVID)	1059	46034
Street Food Vendor (SFV) courses	83	5446
Refresher Training programme for Designated Officers of Gujarat, Kerala and Punjab from 18.03.2024 to 22.03.2024 at IIPH, Gandhinagar, Gujarat	01	35
Agro-Industrial Attachment for the students of SRM CAS	01	04
Workshop on GeM /e-Procurement for all the employees stationed at Headquarters & NFLs / Regional Offices (Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai and Ghaziabad)	01	150
One-Day Workshop on Noting & Drafting and Office Procedures for all the employees stationed at Headquarters & NFLs / Regional Offices (Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai and Ghaziabad)	01	142
Workshop on eHRMS for all the employees stationed at Headquarters & NFLs/Regional Offices (Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai and Ghaziabad)	01	167