



PREVENTION OF FOOD ADULTERATION

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NOTIFICATION

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The following draft of certain rules further to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955, which the Central Government, after consultation with the Central Committee for Food Standards, proposes to make, in exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) of section 23 of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (37 of 1954), is hereby published, as required by the said sub-section, for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby; and notice is hereby given that the said draft rules will be taken into consideration after the expiry of a period of sixty days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette in which this notification is published, are made available to the public;

Objections or suggestions, if any, in respect of the said draft rules, may be forwarded to the Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi-110011;

The objections and suggestion, which may be received from any person with respect to the said draft rules before the expiry of the period so specified, shall be considered by the Central Government.

DRAFT RULES

1. (1) These rules may be called the **Prevention of Food Adulteration (Amendment) Rules, 2007.**

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955, (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in the rule 42(ZZZ) the following words shall be omitted, namely:-

“Every package of chewing tobacco shall bear the following label, namely:-

“Chewing of tobacco is injurious to health”

3. In rule 49 of the said rules, after sub-rule (31), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

“(32) No person shall sell any article of food in packages which have been fastened by using staple pins.”.

4. In Appendix B of the said rules,-

(a) in item **A.01.01** relating to carbonated water, in the second paragraph, for the words and figures “caffeine not exceeding 200 parts per million”, the following words and figures shall be substituted, namely:-

“caffeine not exceeding 145 parts per million”;

(b) for item **A.05.27** relating to Dried (Dehydrated) Garlic (Lahsun) whole, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“A.05.27: Dried (Dehydrated) Garlic (Lahsun) means the product obtained by drying by any suitable method which ensures characteristics of fresh garlic on rehydration the cloves of *Allium sativum* L. without bleaching or pre-cooking. It shall be white to pale cream in colour, free from scorched, toasted and baked particles. It may be whole, sliced, quarters, pieces, flakes, kibbled, granules or powdered. The product on rehydration shall have characteristic pungent odour of garlic, free from off odour, mustiness fermentation and rancidity. It shall be free from mould, living and dead insects, insect fragments, rodent contamination and fungal infection. The products shall be free from added colouring matter and any other harmful substances. It shall be free from stalks, peels, stems, and extraneous matter. When in powdered form, it shall be free flowing and free from agglomerates.

The products may contain food additives permitted in Appendix-C and it shall conform to the following standards, namely:-

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| (i) | Extraneous matter | Not more than 0.5 percent by weight. |
| (ii) | Moisture: | |
| | (a) in case of powdered Garlic | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| | (b) other than powdered Garlic | Not more than 8.0 percent by weight. |

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| (iii) | Total Ash on dry basis | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| (iv) | Ash insoluble in dil HCL | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| (v) | Cold water soluble extract on dry basis | Not less than 70.0 and Not more than 90 percent by weight. |
| (vi) | Volatile organic sulphur compound on dry basis | Not less than 0.3 percent by weight. |
| (vii) | Salmonella | Absent in 25 gram. |
| (viii) | Peroxidase test | Negative”; |
- (c) for item **A.05.29** relating to Dehydrated Onion (Sukha Pyaj), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“A.05.29: Dehydrated Onion (Sukha Pyaj) - means the product obtained by removal of most moisture by any acceptable method which ensures characteristics of fresh onions on rehydration, from sound bulbs of *Allium cepa*.L. free from mould, disease, outer skin, leaves and roots. The product may be whole or in the form of slices, rings, flakes, pieces, small grits or powder. The product may be white/cream/pink or red in colour, free from stalks, peals, stems and extraneous matters and scorched particles. The finished product shall be free from discolouration or enzymatic reaction. The product on rehydration shall be of characteristic flavour, free from foreign and off flavour, mustiness, fermentation and rancid flavour.

It shall be free from mould, living and dead insects, insect fragments and rodent contamination. The product shall be free from added colouring matter and any other harmful substances. When in powdered form, it shall be free flowing and free from agglomerates.

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| (i) | Extraneous matter | Not more than 0.5 percent by weight. |
| (ii) | Moisture: | |
| | (a) in case of powdered Onion | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| | (b) other than powdered Onion | Not more than 8.0 percent by weight. |
| (iii) | Total Ash on dry basis | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| (iv) | Ash insoluble in dil HCl | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| (v) | Peroxidase test | Negative”; |
- (d) in item **A.15.01.01** relating to Potassium Iodate, for the words, brackets and figures, “Potassium iodate (as KIO_3) percent by weight not less than 99.8”, the following words, brackets and figures shall be substituted, namely:-
- “Potassium iodate (as KIO_3) percent by weight not less than99.0”;
- (e) in item **A.16.36** relating to Dehydrated Vegetables, in the Table, the S. Nos. 6 and 7 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted.
5. in Appendix C of the said rules, in the Table 8 relating to list of Food Additives for use in food products, in column (10), for the heading, the following heading shall be substituted, namely:-

“Dehydrated Vegetable, Dehydrated Garlic and Dehydrated Onion.”.

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