Office of the Commissioner of Food Safety  
Jammu & Kashmir, Jammu  

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PUBLIC NOTICE  

This is for the information of the public in general that Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006, Rules and Regulation, 2011 have been enforced in the State of Jammu & Kashmir w.e.f. 5th August, 2011. With the enactment of said Act, the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 and Rules, 1955 and various laws and orders related to Food have been repealed. The main features of the said Act are –

- Integrated Food Law.
- Decentralization of Licensing for manufacture of food products.
- Responsibility on food business operators to ensure that food processed, manufactured, imported or distributed is in compliance with the domestic Food Laws.
- Penalties for non-injurious food articles up to Rs.10.00 lacs for sub-standard, misbranded, misleading statement, extraneous matter.
- Penalties up to Rs.5.00 lacs with imprisonment up to 6 years for non-injurious, non-grievous injury due to consumption of unsafe food.
- Penalties not less than Rs.10.00 lacs with imprisonment not less than 7 years which may extend to life imprisonment in case of death occurring due to consumption of unsafe food.
- Penalties for unlicensed food establishments up to Rs.5.00 lacs with imprisonment up to 6 months.
- Provision of registration mandated for Petty Manufacturer.
- Genetically modified or engineered food or food containing such ingredients infant food and any substance including water used into the food during its manufacture, preparation or treatment brought under the purview of the said Act.
- Organic foods, functional foods, neutraceuticals, health supplements, proprietary foods are also covered under the said Act.
- Provision for recall of food articles manufactured in contravention of the provisions of the said Act.
- Furnishing of test reports made time bound (14 days).

Statutory Functionaries under the said Act:

- Commissioner of Food Safety – State level.
- Adjudicating Officer – Additional District Magistrate at District level.
- Designated Officers – District level / Municipal Corporation.
- Food Analyst, Jammu / Kashmir Division.
- Food Safety Officers – As per notified local areas.

The public in general is requested that in case of any complaint regarding the quality of food article, they can lodge a complaint before the Commissioner of Food Safety / Designated Officer of the concerned districts / Municipal Corporations / Food Safety Officer of the concerned area.

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