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New Delhi: The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has specified a comprehensive group standard for millets vide Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Second Amendment Regulations, 2023 notified in the Gazette

of India and the same will be enforced w.e.f September 1, 2023.

To enhance awareness and promote the production & consumption of millets, in April 2018, millets were rebranded as 'Nutri Cereals', and '2018' was designated as the National Year of Millets. Later, the United Nations General Assembly at its 75th session in March 2021 declared 2023 as the International Year of Millets (IYOM 2023). This will provide an opportunity to increase global production, efficient processing and better use of crop rotation and promote millets as a major component of the food basket.

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