

# **Food Safety and Standards Authority of India**

## **Contents for Monthly Achievements for uploading on FSSAI website**

**November, 2023**

Important policy decision taken and major achievements during the month:

### **ONGOING EFFORTS IN FOCUS AREAS**

#### **Social and Behavioral Change Division**

1. A total of 30 social media posts were created and circulated for generating awareness through different social media platforms of FSSAI. Details of the social media posts is attached at Annexure-I.

2. 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 Street Food Hub	19
2.	Eat Right Campus	105
3.	Eat Right Fruits and Vegetable Market	17
4.	Eat Right School	29
5.	Eat Right Station	4

3. With 2023 being celebrated as the International year of Millets, two inter-divisional millet-based competitions were organized on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023 in FSSAI HQ Delhi to increase the awareness about Millets (Shree Anna). As part of the competition, every division of FSSAI HQ Delhi made millet-based dishes under two categories namely "Sweet" and "Savouries". In addition to this, an inter-divisional Rangoli competition was also organized on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023 on the theme Millets (Shree Anna) through which employees showcased their creative skills by highlighting the relevance of millets.

4. Two Eat Right Millets Melas and Walkathon were organised in various parts of the country to raise awareness about the consumption of millets and its relevance among the society in the month of November 2023.

5. FSSAI participated in the 42<sup>nd</sup> India International Trade Fair from 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023 to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi by putting up its stall under Ayushman Bhav Health Pavilion. FSSAI displayed various informative panels on Eat Right India, Millets, Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS), Combating Food Adulteration, Food Import Clearance Process etc. for generating awareness among the public about its initiatives and online platforms. As part of ongoing International Year of Millets celebrations 2023, different types of millets were displayed to highlight their size, colour and texture to make the visitors aware about its health and nutritional benefits. In order to spread awareness about

the various aspects of food safety, Food Safety on Wheels was also deployed for performing on the spot testing of food under various categories.

**Annexure-**

**I. Details of Social Media Posts created and circulated in the month of November 2023**

S.No	Series	Number of Tweets
1.	#CEO meeting with Hon'ble Deputy CMM Maharashtra	1
2.	#Combat Adulteration	2
3.	#Food Safety on Wheels	1
4.	#FoSCoSportalinregionallanguages	1
5.	#FoSTaC-eLearningApp	1
6.	#G20StandardsDialogue2023	1
7.	#IITF2023	2
8.	#MondayMillets	3
9.	#SankalpSampornaSwasthya	1
10.	#SwachhataProgram	1
11.	#SwachhDiwali	2
12.	#TrainingforPortHealthOfficers(PHOs)andAirportHealthOfficers(APHOs)	1
13.	#WorldFoodIndia2023	10
14.	FSSAI West Meet with Importers and FBOs	1
15.	FSSAI West Meet with Nutraceutical Industry	1
16.	#NationalSymposiumonPromotionofOrganicProduce	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>30</b>

**QUALITY ASSURANCE DIVISION**

**1. Capacity Building:**

FSSAI conducted 10 training programmes in the month of November for State Food Testing Laboratories and FSSAI Notified Laboratories; Details for which areas follows:

Sr. No.	Venue	Date	Topic	Number of Participants
1	Punjab Biotechnology Incubator, (PBTI), Mohali	30 October – 3 November, 2023	Hands on Training on Honey Authenticity, Quality and Residues analysis (Pesticide & Antibiotic)	18
2	CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute, (CFTRI), Mysore	6-8 November, 2023	Hands-on Training program on Analysis of Heavy Metals and Minerals	15
3	Indian Institute of	7-9	Hands-on Training on Analysis of	12

	Horticulture (IIHR), Bangalore, Karnataka	November, 2023	Pesticide Residues in Fruits and Vegetables	
4	National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), CALF Ltd. Anand, Gujarat	20-24 November, 2023	Hands-on Training on Authenticity of food products (honey-delta 13 C protein - honey-ratio-delta 13 C fructose-glucose, 2-AFGP, Ghee - milk fat purity by beta - sitosterol & triglycerides profiling)	05
5	Punjab Biotechnology Incubator (PBTI), Mohali	20-24 November, 2023	Hands-on training on Trace Metal Analysis by ICP-MS in Food Commodities	12
6	National Meat Research Institute (NMRI), Hyderabad	20-24 November, 2023	Hands-on training on Basic and Advance Molecular Techniques in Food Testing (Specialized with reference to meat species identification)	14
7	NIFTEM Thanjavur	20-24 November, 2023	Hands-on Training on Proximate Analysis for Food Additive, Preservative, Synthetic color and on the Quality Standard of Various Food Products	17
8	NIFTEM-Kundali, Sonapat	21-22 November, 2023	Hands-on Training Program on Micro-nutrients and Quality Parameters Analysis in Oils & Fats	15
9	Indian Institute of Horticulture (IIHR), Bangalore, Karnataka	21-23 November, 2023	Hands-on Training on Analysis of Nutritional Composition in Fruits and Vegetables	5
10	CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (IICT), Hyderabad	21-24 November, 2023	Hands-on Training on HPLC Analysis of Oils & Fats	8
			<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>

## **2. Food Safety on Wheels (FSW):**

Total number of FSWs sanctioned till date is 403 and out of which 40 FSWs were sanctioned in the month of November 2023 and total number of FSWs deployed across the country is 226.

## **3. Setting up of Microbiological Section and Installation of Equipment:**

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Work for "Setting up of Microbiological Section and Installation of Equipment on Turnkey Basis" is under process for the following Laboratories:

Mumbai, Aurangabad, Jaipur, Lucknow, Delhi, Kharar, Mysore, Thiruvananthapuram, Kozhikode, Ernakulam, Coimbatore, Guwahati, Shillong, Bengaluru, Meerut, Belagavi,

Visakhapatnam,Raipur,Bhubaneshwar,Vadodara,Patna,Bhopal,SolanandVaranasi.

#### **4.MethodofAnalysisof Foods**

FSSAIhasdevelopedmethodsfortestingfortificantsanddetails forwhichareasfollows:

1. Methods for testing of Fortificants (Iron, Folic Acid and Vitamin B12) in Fortified RiceKernel(FRK)releasedvideorderdated07.11.2023.
2. Methods for testing of Fortificants (Iron, Folic Acid and Vitamin B12) in Vitamin MineralPremix for Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) and Iron in FRK by AAS released vide order dated09.11.2023.

#### **5.DevelopmentofTechnicalManpower**

The results of the CBT for the 9th Food Analyst Examination (9th FAE) and 6th JuniorAnalyst Examination (6th JAE) were ratified by the Food Analyst Examination Board andpublished on the FSSAI website on 10th of November 2023. A total of 123 candidatesqualified for the practical examination of 9th FAE 2023, while 180 candidates qualified forthethe6th JAE 2023.