

### Selected 'News' for you



Ministry of Consumer Affairs extends prescribed stock limits for all Edible oils and Oilseeds for all States and Union Territories till 31st December, 2022



FSSAI compliance with the existing labelling provisions of Coffee-Chicory mixtures; strict action to be taken against violators



FSSAI directs FBOs to strictly comply w.r.t. declaration of Non-Veg or Veg logo irrespective of the percentage of any ingredient in the food under the provisions of the FSS (Packaging and Labelling)
Regulations, 2011



FSSAI issues direction to ensure that no blending of mustard oil with other edible oils is carried out by an FBO; requires submission of first action taken report by 15th May, 2022



Submission status of BIS certificate through FoSCoS portal to be reviewed by Food Safety Commissioners; non-compliance may lead to cancellation/suspension of license; applicable to manufacturers of Packaged Drinking Water and Mineral Water



FSSAI replaces the practice of submitting quarterly returns by Manufacturer- Exporters; requires them to submit Annual Return for the F.Y 2021-22 by 31st May, 2022, through the FoSCoS portal

## Some 'Key' regulatory updates this month



Amendments underway to Chartered Accountants
Act, Cost and Works Accountants Act and Company
Secretaries Act; provisions yet to gain effect



International Workers (from countries which do not have the Social Security Agreement with India) allowed to withdraw their EPF accumulation after attaining 58 years, subject to ceasing employment of EPF covered establishment



Public comments invited on draft Indian Boiler Regulations, 2022 by 23rd May, 2022; draft Regulations propose to supersede the Indian Boiler Regulations, 1950



MoRTH notifies Central Motor Vehicles (Eighth Amendment) Rules, 2022; amends the validity period of a renewed Certificate of Fitness

\*From 1st to 30th April 2022, our updates team issued 356 updates across all sectors (State/Central, Labour, EHS, Operational, Fiscal. etc.). Contact us for more information on our Updates service.

## Download our 'Compliance Calendar'

We are happy to share our Compliance Calendar for May 2022. <u>Click here</u> to view/download and/or sync with your outlook calendar.

## Our latest 'Blog' on



When you go to a mall and buy a particular food item off the shelf, the first question which strikes your mind is whether the food is healthy for consumption. But how often do we read the entire details provided in the label? Well, that's where we face difficulty at times to understand and assess whether a particular food item is safe for consumption. The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), keeping in mind the food safety of humans, is planning to roll out a simplified way of front pack labeling by introducing the Health Star rating system... Read the blog.

## Some news 'Snippets' for popular sources

#### FSSAI launches 'systematic and intensive' plan for high risk foods

Superseding all the previous orders, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has issued a direction for a comprehensive inspection plan based on risk associated with food businesses. The plan also has provisions for e-inspection through recorded video and live streaming of the premises.

**Source: Mint** 

#### FSSAI to bring pan masala under the ambit of FSS Act completely

The FSSAI has decided to bring pan masala under the ambit of FSS Act completely and in this regard issued a draft called Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Amendment Regulations, 2022, seeking comments from the stakeholders.

**Source: FnBnews** 

#### FSSAI cracks down on manufacture, sale of non-licensed drinks

With the India Meteorological Department (IMD) predicting sweltering heat in the coming days for much of Tamil Nadu, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) officials in the southern state have launched a drive to crack down on the production and sale of locally manufactured non-licensed soft drinks. Sources said the manufacturers of these drinks usually target local roadside stores and petty shops for sale as the latter do not accord much importance to product details.

**Source: The Indian Express** 

#### FMCG companies' stand against paper straws fizzles out

The six billion plastic straws sold with every small tetra pack of juice, milk, lassi, coffee and other drinks can be replaced by paper straws to protect the environment but it will have to be done in phases. That was the message of the presentation made by FMCG companies using small tetra packs last week by their body, the Action Alliance for Recycling Beverage Cartons. The association told the Environment Ministry that companies need 18 months from the ministry's deadline of July 1.

**Source: Business Standard** 

# Lexplosion's recent 'Webinar' on Key FSS and LM amendments

On April 29<sup>th</sup> (Friday) 2022 Lexplosion conducted a webinar on the "Impact of recent Amendments to the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Amendment Rules, 2022 and Food Safety and Standards (Labelling and Display) Regulations, 2020". Two of the industry accolades; Ms Shalini Sinha, General Manger (Legal) at Hindustan Unilever Limited and Mr. GLN Murthy, Chief Manufacturing Officer at iD Fresh Food (India) Pvt Ltd were the esteemed panellists on the webinar.

The webinar was attended by more than 80+ companies in the FMCG space and others. The webinar was attended by more than 120+ enthusiastic participants. In the beginning of the Webinar, Lexplosion team took the participants through a detailed presentation on the key changes in the above rules. This was followed by a

brainstorming session that discussed the key amendments and the experts views on the impact of said amendments. The focus of the discussion was on:

- The challenges faced in the implementation of the said amendments
- The best practices adopted for mitigating risk
- Benefits of Legal tech in meeting the challenges posed by ever changing regulatory environment.

To view the webinar recording click here.

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