

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Office of the  
Commissioner of Technical Education  
Andhra Pradesh :: Hyderabad

**Cir.Memo. No. H1/8819/2012**

**Date: 16-02-2013**

Sub: Technical Education – Academic – Food Safety and Standards Act,  
2006 – Imposition of prohibition on manufacture, storage,  
distribution of Gutka/Panmasala in the entire State of Andhra  
Pradesh – Reg.

Ref: D.O.Lr.No. 1508/F1/2012-2013, dt: 23-01-2013 of the commissioner  
of Health and Family Welfare, GoAP.

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This has reference to the letter cited above, wherein, the Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare has informed that the Commissioner of Food Safety has prohibited the manufacture, storage, distribution, sale of Gutka/Panmasala by whatever name it is called which contains tobacco and nicotine as ingredients in the entire State of Andhra Pradesh for a period of one year with effect from 10-01-2013.

In this regard, the Principals of all the Government/ Aided/ Private unaided Polytechnics/ 2<sup>nd</sup> shift polytechnics in existing Engineering colleges/ D.Pharmacy Institutions are instructed to keep strict vigil and not to allow the sale/distribution of Gutka/Panmasala by whatever name it is called in and around the premises of Colleges/canteens for effective enforcement of the prohibition in the State.

The Regional Joint Directors of Technical Education, Hyderabad, Kakinada, & Tirupathi are herewith requested to ensure compliance of the instructions issued herein by the Institutions under their respective jurisdiction.

Encl: As above.

Sd/- Ajay Jain,  
COMMISSIONER

To

The Principal of all the Government/ Aided/ Private unaided Polytechnics/ 2<sup>nd</sup> shift polytechnics in existing engineering colleges/ D.Pharmacy Institutions  
The Regional Joint Director of Technical Education, Hyderabad, Kakinada, & Tirupathi.

Copy to:

The Secretary, State Board of Technical Education & Training, Hyderabad.

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Smt. POONAM MALAKONDAIAH, I.A.S.

Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare  
Andhra Pradesh

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D.O. Lr. No. 1508/F1/2012-2013, Dated 23-01-2013

Dear *Ajay*,

Sub: Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006- imposition of prohibition on manufacture, storage, distribution, Gutka / Panmasala in the entire state of Andhra Pradesh- Regd.

Ref: 1 G.O.Ms. No. 6 dated 09-01-2013 of the Chief Secretary,  
Govt of Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad  
2 Order No. 1508/F1/2012-13 Dated: 10-01-2013

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Government of India has enacted integrated Food Safety and Standards Act 2006, (FSSA) by repealing the various existing food laws/orders to regulate and monitor the manufacture, process, pack, transport, store, distribute, sell and import of any food or food ingredient, so as to ensure availability of safe and wholesome food for human consumption and also to laying down science based standards. FSS Regulations 2011 were notified under the said act.

As per Regulation 2.3.4 of FSS (Prohibition and Restriction on sales) Regulations 2011, Tobacco and Nicotine shall not be used as ingredients in any food products. The Honorable Supreme Court held that Gutka is a food product in the case of Godawat's pan masala products pvt ltd & others Vs. Union of India.

Scientific studies (ICMR and NIHFV) reveal that Gutkha, Pan Masala contain tobacco, nicotine as ingredients and consumption of such products is injurious to health.

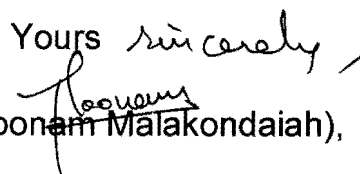
In exercise of the powers under section 30 (2) (a) of Food Safety and Standards Act 2006 read with 2.3.4 of Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on sales) Regulation 2011 and in the interest of public health, the Commissioner of Food Safety has prohibited the manufacture, storage, distribution, sale of Gutka / Panmasla by whatever name it is called which contains tobacco and nicotine as ingredients in the entire state of Andhra Pradesh for a period of one year with effect from 10-01-2013 vide order No. 1508/F1/2012-2013

All the Designated officers in the state with the assistance of Food Safety officers of their respective area are entrusted with the responsibility of implementation of the said prohibition order.

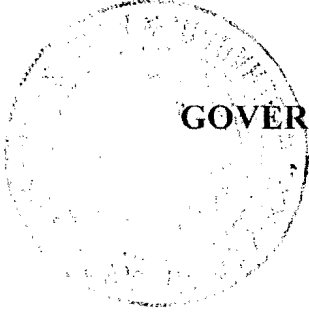
I request you to issue suitable instructions to all the Principals of Colleges under your jurisdiction to keep strict vigil and not to allow the sale / distribution of Gutka, Panmasala by whatever name it is called in and around the premises of Colleges/canteens for effective enforcement of the prohibition in the state.

I am herewith enclosing IEC material to be distributed among the students on the health hazards of consuming gutka/Panmasala.

With Regards,

Yours sincerely,  
  
(Poonam Malakondaiah),

Sri. Ajay Jain, IAS,  
Commissioner,  
Technical Education Department  
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.



**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**

Commissioner of Food Safety  
Institute of Preventive Medicine  
Public Health Labs & Food (Health)  
Admin, Narayanaguda HYDERABAD



Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006- imposition of prohibition u/s 30 (2) (a) of said Act on manufacture, storage, distribution, sale of Gutka / Panmasala in the entire state of Andhra Pradesh-orders-issued.

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ORDER No. 1508/F1/2012-2013

**Dated: 10-01-2013**

Ref: 1 Regulation 2.3.4 of FSS (Prohibition and Restriction on sales) Regulations 2011.

2. G.O.Ms. No. 6 dated 09-01-2013 of the Government of Andhra Pradesh

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**The following notification will be published in the Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated 17-01-2013: -**

The Government of India has promulgated integrated food law i.e., Food Safety and Standards Act 2006 (FSS Act) to regulate manufacture, storage, distribution, sale import so as to ensure availability of safe food for human consumption. FSS Regulations 2011 under the said act were notified which came into force from 5th August, 2011.

As per Regulation 2.3.4 of FSS (Prohibition and Restriction on sales) Regulations 2011, tobacco and nicotine shall not be used as ingredients in any food products.

Scientific studies reveal that Gutka, Pan Masala contain tobacco, nicotine as ingredients thus contravenes the Regulation 2.3.4 of Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on sales) Regulations 2011. Consumption of such products is injurious to health. Thus it is necessary to ban immediately.

As per Section 30 (2) (a) of FSS Act 2006, the Commissioner of Food Safety is empowered to impose prohibition in the interest of public health the manufacture, storage, distribution or sale of any article of food which is injurious to health in the whole state.

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Hence, it is expedient to prohibit the manufacture, storage, distribution, sale of gutka / panmasala in the state of Andhra Pradesh since it being food products in which tobacco and nicotine are widely used as ingredients.

### **NOTIFICATION**

**ORDER No. 1508/F1/2012-13:** In exercise of the powers conferred under clause (a) of Sub-section (2) of section 30 of Food Safety and Standards Act 2006 read with 2.3.4 of Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on sales) Regulation 2011 and in the interest of public health, the Commissioner of Food Safety, Andhra Pradesh hereby prohibits the manufacture, storage, distribution, sale of Gutka / Panmasla by whatever name it is called which contains tobacco and nicotine as ingredients in the entire state of Andhra Pradesh for a period of one year with immediate effect.

Sd/-

**Commissioner of Food Safety  
Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad**

**To**

The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery & Stores Purchase (PW)  
A.P., Hyderabad (with a request to publish the Notification in A.P. Gazette and supply 500 copies to the Commissioner of Food Safety, Institute of Preventive Medicine Public Health Labs & Food (Health) Admin,  
Narayanaguda Hyderabad-29 for official use.

**Copy to**

The Principal Secretary HM & FW Department, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad  
The Director General of Police Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad.  
The Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad  
The Commissioner of Industries, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad  
The Commissioner of RTA Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad  
The Commissioner of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P Hyderabad  
The Commissioner of Panchyat Raj and RD, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad  
The Commissioner of Information & Public Relations, A.P., Hyderabad  
The Advocate General, A.P High Court. Hyderabad  
The Managing Director, APSRTC, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad  
All the District Collectors & Executive Magistrate in the state  
All the Superintendents of police in the state  
All the Joint Collectors in the state

**ATTESTED//**  
  
**Joint Food Controller**

**JOINT FOOD CONTROLLER  
DIRECTORATE OF  
Institute of Preventive Medicine  
Public Health Labs &  
FOOD (HEALTH) ADMINISTRATION  
Narayanaguda, Hyderabad, A.P.**

HM&FW Department – Food Safety Act – Ban on manufacture / Sale of Gutkha / Pan Masala / If any food item containing Tobacco or Nicotine as ingredients, by whatsoever which is available in the market – Permission accorded to Commissioner of Food Safety to impose the ban – Orders – Issued.

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**HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (L) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Ms.No. 6**

**Dated:09-01-2013**

**Read:**

Letter from the Commissioner Food Safety, A.P. Hyderabad,  
Lr.No.1508/F1/2012, Dated:05-10-2012 & 13-10-2012.

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**ORDER:**

The Commissioner Food Safety, A.P. Hyderabad, in his letter read above has requested the Government to permit him to impose prohibition (ban) on sale of Gutkha / Pan Masala and other chewable products containing Tobacco and Nicotine in the State of Andhra Pradesh under section 30 (2) (a) of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

2. Under regulation 2.3.4 of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and restriction on Sales) Regulations, 2011 made by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of sub-section (2) of section 92 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (Central Act 34 of 2006) with section 26 thereof, prohibits articles of food in which tobacco and/or nicotine are used as ingredients, as they are injurious to health.

3. AND WHEREAS, Gutkha, Paan masala containing tobacco and/or nicotine, other form of chewable products containing tobacco or nicotine (by whatsoever name) is an article of food in which tobacco and/or nicotine are widely used as ingredients.

4. AND WHEREAS, it is expedient to prohibit the manufacture, the storage, the sale, the transportation, the display or the distribution of Gutkha and Paan Masala containing tobacco and/or nicotine in the state of Andhra Pradesh.

5. The Government after careful examination hereby permit the Commissioner of Food Safety, A.P. Hyderabad to issue the following notification in the interest of the Public Health.

**DRAFT NOTIFICATION**

In pursuance of regulation 2.3.4 of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on sales) Regulations, 2011 the manufacture, the storage, the sale, the transportation or the distribution of Gutkha by whatever name and Paan masala containing tobacco and/or nicotine as ingredients by whatsoever name it is available in the market, is hereby prohibited with immediate effect in the State of Andhra Pradesh in the interest of Public Health until further orders.

6. The assistance of following Departments shall be taken for effective enforcement of above prohibition orders;

- a) HM&FW Department
- b) Vigilance and Enforcement Department
- c) Commercial Taxes, Department
- d) Police Department
- e) Transport Department
- f) Labour department,
- g) Municipal Administration Department
- h) Panchayat Raj Department

7. The Information and Public Relations Department and Commissioner, Civil Supplies and Consumer affairs shall give wide publicity and create consumer awareness. The enforcement personnel of FSS Act., shall be placed on regular basis at the inter-state check posts, to have vigil on the illegal transportation of the Prohibited articles into the State from other States. The Commercial Tax Department shall check the banned items and inform the enforcement authorities of Food Safety for taking necessary action.

8. The Commissioner of Food Safety, A.P. Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**MINNIE MATEW  
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner of Food Safety, A.P. Hyderabad.

The Chairman Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, New Delhi.

**Copy to:**

The Commissioner of Commercial Taxes,  
A.P. Hyderabad.

The Director General of Police A.P.  
Hyderabad.

The Commissioner of Industries, A.P.  
Hyderabad.

The Commissioner of RTA, A.P. Hyderabad.

The Commissioner of Food, Civil Supplies  
and Consumer Affairs, A.P. Hyderabad.

The Commissioner of Information & Public  
Relations and E.O. Secretary to Govt.  
A.P. Hyderabad.

The M.D., APSRTC, A.P. Hyderabad.

All the District Collectors / Concerned  
Departments through Commissioner of  
Food Safety.

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Food Safety.

All HODs under consideration of Health,  
Medical and Family Welfare.

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**//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //**

**SECTION OFFICER**

**LIST OF DESIGNATED OFFICERS & FOOD SAFETY OFFICERS**

| <b>Sl. No.</b> | <b>District &amp; Address</b>  | <b>Name of Designated Officer / Food Safety Officer's Sarvasri</b> | <b>Contact Number</b> |
|----------------|--|--|-----------------------|
| <b>1</b>       | <b>Srikakulam</b>  | N. Sankaraiah, D.O   | <b>98490 34422</b>    |
|                | O/o. Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>China Mandala Veedhi,<br>Near Saradha Degree College,<br><b>Srikakulam – 532 001</b>                    | Smt S. Eswari , FSO  | <b>94946 92961</b>    |
|                |  | Md. Kareemulla, FSO  | <b>98488 20170</b>    |
| <b>2</b>       | <b>Vizianagaram</b>  | G.A.B. Nandaji   | <b>98490 47761</b>    |
|                | The Gazetted Food Inspector & D.O.,<br>Door No. 8-17-1, Balaji Nagar,<br>Near Srinivasa Junior College,<br><b>VIZIANAGARAM - 535 003</b> | S.V.Veerabhadra Rao , FSO  | <b>99599 94092</b>    |
|                |  | K.Kurmanayakulu, FSO   | <b>94414 39787</b>    |
| <b>3</b>       | <b>Visakhapatnam</b>   | Ghouse Mohiddin, D.O   | <b>98484 70969</b>    |
|                | The Gazetted Food Inspector & D.O.,<br>D. No.53-41-45, K.R.M.Colony,<br>Maddilapalem,<br><b>VISAKHATPATNAM – 530 001</b>                 | K.Venkata Ratnam, FSO  | <b>97040 09989</b>    |
|                | <b>Greater Visakha Municipal Corporation - GVMC</b>  | B. Hanumantha Rao,<br>AFC & DO -GVMC area                          | <b>90142 43366</b>    |
|                |  | S. Janardhana Rao, FSO   | <b>99121 99283</b>    |
|                |  | M. Koteswara Rao, FSO  | <b>99121 99285</b>    |
|                |  | G.V. Appa Rao, FSO   | <b>99121 99284</b>    |



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| <b>4</b> | <b>East Godavari, Hqrs: Kakinada</b>   | B.A. Omprakash, AFC & DO<br>- Kakinada Mpl Corporation | <b>94900 79734</b> |
|          | The Gazetted Food Inspector & D.O.,<br>A1- Quarters, MIGH Colony,<br>Five Buildings Centre,<br><b>KAKINADA - 533 001</b><br>East Godavari District | B.V.S.R.K. Prasad, D.O                                 | <b>94402 75889</b> |
|          |  | P. Veeraju, FSO  | <b>98482 77299</b> |
|          |  | S. Kalyan Chakravarthy, FSO                            | <b>92471 50201</b> |
| <b>5</b> | <b>West Godavari , Hqrs: Eluru</b>   | A. Malakonda Reddy, D.O                                | <b>98481 51436</b> |
|          | The Gazetted Food Inspector & D.O.<br>Kota Dibba,<br><b>ELURU – 534 001</b><br>West Godavari District  | Y. Panduranga Rao, FSO                                 | <b>98499 54396</b> |
|          |  | G.V. Ramanaiah, FSO                                    | <b>99891 22378</b> |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Krishna, Hqrs: Machilipatnam</b>  | M. Sreenivasa Rao, D.O                                 | <b>98483 16338</b> |
|          | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 17-485, Englishpalem,<br><b>MACHILIPATNAM,</b>   | V. Ananda Rao, FSO                                     | <b>94403 52327</b> |
|          |  | A. Srinivasa Rao, FSO                                  | <b>98486 97477</b> |
| <b>7</b> | <b>Guntur</b>  | N. Poornachandra Rao, AFC<br>& D.O - Guntur M.C        | <b>94403 79755</b> |
|          | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>5th Line, Near Venkateswaraswamy<br>Temple, Amaravathi Road, Gorantla,<br><b>Guntur</b>                       | K.Veerabhadra Rao, D.O.                                | <b>98483 55864</b> |
|          |  | Sappa Srinivas, FSO                                    | <b>98488 35889</b> |
|          |  | B. Srinivas, FSO                                       | <b>99896 88699</b> |
| <b>8</b> | <b>Prakasam, Hqrs: Ongole</b>  | T. Sekhar Reddy, D.O                                   | <b>98666 89699</b> |
|          | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector ,<br>Sanjay Gandhi Colony, Behind<br>C.R.Sarma College, <b>ONGOLE,</b><br>Prakasam district                       | G. Prabhakar Rao, FSO                                  | <b>93922 85499</b> |
|          |  | P. Sesha Reddy, FSO                                    | <b>90107 11384</b> |
| <b>9</b> | <b>Nellore</b>   | G. Sudharshan, D.O                                     | <b>98662 34034</b> |
|          | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>D. No. 26/2/1526, Gandhinagar Road ,<br>Vedayapalem, <b>NELLORE-4</b>   | A.Sundara Rami Reddy, FSO                              | <b>98498 59278</b> |
|          |  | Smt T. Lalitha Kumari, FSO                             | <b>99899 17531</b> |

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| 10 | <b>Chittoor</b>  | B. Srinivasa Reddy, D.O  | 94400 75595 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 28-32, Ramnagar Colony,<br><b>CHITTOOR</b>                                 | P. Gangadhar Rao, FSO  | 94417 53215 |
|    |  | Ch. Lakshminarayana, FSO                                       | 98490 58528 |
| 11 | <b>Kadapa</b>  | A. Viswanadha Reddy, AFC<br>& D.O - Kadapa M.C                 | 98497 15900 |
|    | O/o. The Assistant Food Controller,<br>D. No. 2/437/1, Sashtri Nager,<br>Akkayapalli, Ravindranagar,<br><b>KADAPA</b>  | Smt P. Yellamma, FSO   | 99661 67907 |
| 12 | <b>Kurnool</b>   | A. Viswanadha Reddy, AFC<br>& D.O - Kurnool M.C                | 98497 15900 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>D. No. 10-127, Krishna Nagar,<br><b>KURNOOL</b>                                   | B. Srinivasa Rao, FSO  | 98850 79909 |
| 13 | <b>Ananthapur</b>  | V. Nageswara Rao, D.O  | 92904 46079 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 12/1/853 (Up stairs)<br>Ashok Nagar,<br><b>ANANTHAPUR - 515 001</b>        | G. Venkateswara Rao, FSO                                       | 94947 69742 |
|    |  | M. Ravi Shankar, FSO   | 99480 61267 |
| 14 | <b>Warangal</b>  | N. Prabhakar Reddy, AFC &<br>DO - Warangal Mpl.<br>Corporation | 98497 95164 |
|    | O/o. The Assistant Food Controller,<br>H. No. 5-11-598, Srinagar Colony,<br>Naim Nagar, Hanmakonda,<br><b>WARANGAL</b> | D. Rama Krishna Rao, DO  | 94902 33446 |
|    |  | V. Vijay Kumar, FSO  | 96180 40130 |
| 15 | <b>Khammam</b>   |  |             |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 10-2-47, Mamillagudem,<br><b>KHAMMAM</b>                                   | A. Rajendernadh, FSO   | 94402 32412 |
|    |  | T.Venkata Ramana Rao, FSO                                      | 99496 59022 |
| 16 | <b>Karimnagar</b>  | P. Preetham Kumar, D.O   | 94407 65376 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 2-9-119, Ground Floor,<br>Mukharampura, <b>KARIMNAGAR</b>                  | V. Laxminarayna, FSO   | 94908 53522 |
| 17 | <b>Adilabad</b>  | P. Ramnarayana, D.O  | 91775 27044 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 9-200, Teachers Colony,<br><b>ADILABAD - 504 001</b>                       | S. Nagraj, FSO   | 90325 85912 |
|    |  | V. Srinivas, FSO   | 95026 67335 |

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| 18 | Nizamabad   | Ch. Gangadhar, D.O.         | 94414 67579 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 6-2-156, Subash Nagar,<br><b>NIZAMABAD</b>                    | B. Prasad, FSO              | 93475 57182 |
| 19 | Mahabubnagar  | G. Shankaraiah, D.O         | 98494 49700 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 178/1/1, Kamalanagar,<br><b>MAHABUBNAGAR</b>                  | E. Bapuji, FSO              | 83742 14241 |
| 20 | Medak   | G.Vinod Dayal, D.O i/c      | 98484 87021 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 13-6-54, Sanjeevanagar,<br><b>SANGAREDDY</b> , Medak District | K. Shankar, FSO             | 98664 17907 |
|    |   | G. Ravinder Rao, FSO        | 98856 87765 |
| 21 | Nalgonda  | J. Laxmaiah, D.O            | 94410 93370 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>H. No. 6-1-849, Boyawada,<br>Vidya Nagar,<br><b>NALGONDA</b>         | P. Chandra Sekhar, FSO      | 94907 83557 |
|    |   | K. Ashok Kumar, FSO         | 92905 43896 |
| 22 | Ranga Reddy   | T. Vijay Kumar, D.O. i/c    | 98482 61711 |
|    | O/o. The Gazetted Food Inspector,<br>IPM Nacharam Premises,<br>IDA Nacharam,<br><b>Hyderabad- 500076</b>  | M.A. Khaleel, FSO           | 98499 29969 |
| 23 | Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation - <b>Hyderabad</b>  | Dr T. Damodhar, D.O         | 90006 01031 |
|    |   | K. Balaji Raju, D.O         | 99087 33666 |
|    |   | G.Vinod Dayal, D.O          | 98484 87021 |
|    |   | R. Nageswaraiah, D.O        | 90320 50351 |
|    |   | E. Sudharshan Reddy, FSO    | 98662 50901 |
|    |   | P. Moorthy Raju, FSO        | 99899 30494 |
|    |   | D. Megham, FSO              | 90306 11961 |
| 24 | Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanam (TTD)  | B. Sreenivas Reddy, D.O i/c | 94400 75595 |
|    |   | M. Surya Prakash Raju       |             |
|    |   | N.T. Subbarayudu            |             |
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