UT Administration of Daman & Diu Directorate of Medical & Health Services CHC Campus, Fort Area, Moti Daman-396220

No.FSSA/DD/DMN-GUTKA/2012-13/ 2317 Dated: 02/11/2012

NOTIFICATION

The Food Safety and Standard Act, 2006 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary Part II- Section 1, New Delhi, dated August 24, 2006 is hereby republished in the Official Gazette of this U.T. Administration of Daman & Diu for information of public in general.

By order and in the name of the Administrator of Daman & Diu.

(Smt. Snehlata Chand) Deputy Secretary (Health)

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FOOD SAFETY AND STANDARD Act. 2006

WHEREAS in the research conducted by various institutions, it is observed that,

due to consumption of Gutka or Pan Masala, there are chances of oral cancer. Further it

is revealed that chewing of Gutka leads to oral sub-mucous fibrosis;

AND WHEREAS, the survey conducted by the Global Adult Tobacco Survey of

India (GATS) in the year 2009-10 revealed that 35% adult use tobacco in any one of the

forms, out of which 21% are found to be consuming smokeless tobacco;

AND WHEREAS, Gutka and Pan Masala known by any name are articles of food

which contain tobacco and nicotine as ingredients and consumption of such products is

injurious to health and this contravenes the provisions of regulation 2.3.4 of the Food

Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on Sales) Regulations, 2011;

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient to prohibit in the interest of public health, the

manufacture, storage, distribution and sale of Gutka and Pan Masala in which tobacco

and/or nicotine is widely used as an ingredient and are sold in the UT of Daman & Diu;

AND WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Food Safety is empowered under Section

30 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 to prohibit, in the interest of public health,

the manufacture storage, distribution or sale of any articles of food either in the whole UT

of Daman & Diu or any area or part thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, I, the Commissioner of Food Safety, UT of Daman & Diu, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause(a) of sub-section (2) of section 30 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (Act No.34 of 2006), in the interest of public health, hereby prohibit the manufacture, storage, distribution or sale of Gutka and Pan Masala known by any names containing tobacco and/or nicotine as an ingredient available in the market and any other products marketed separately to constitute as Gutka or Pan Masala as final product in the whole of UT of Daman & Diu for a period of one year with effect from December 1, 2012.

(P. S. Reddy) Commissioner of Food Safety Daman & Diu

Copy to:

- 1. The Special Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi w.r.t. his D.O. letter No.P.16012/12/11/Part I dated 27/08/2012.
- 2. The Secretary (Health), Daman & Diu.
- 3. The Special Secretary (Health), Daman & Diu,
- 4. The Collector, Diu.
- 5. The Law Secretary, Daman.
- 6. The Staff Officer to the Administrator, Secretariat, Daman.
- 7. The Director, Medical & Health Services, Daman.
- 8. The Designated Officer/Food Safety Officer are directed to take necessary & lawful action to enforce this Notification, Daman & Diu.
- 9. The Asstt. Director of Planning & Statistics, Daman & Diu for publication of Daman & Diu Official Gazette.