



Government of West Bengal
Department of Health & Family Welfare
Swasthya Bhawan
GN-29, Sector-V, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091

No.696/HF/CFS/1M – 6/ 2012 (Pt)

Date : 02/11/2023

NOTIFICATION


WHEREAS in terms of regulation 2.3.4 of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Regulations 2011 made by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India and powers conferred by clause (i) of sub – section (2) of section 92 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (Central Act 34 of 2006) read with section 26 thereof, sale of articles of food in which tobacco and/or nicotine are used as ingredients are prohibited, as they may be injurious to health;

AND WHEREAS, gutkha and panmasala are articles of food in which tobacco and/or nicotine are widely used as ingredients;

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient to prohibit sale of gutkha and panmasala in the State of West Bengal, being food products in which tobacco and/or nicotine are widely used as ingredients;

AND WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Food Safety of the State 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 article of food in the whole of State, for a period of one year;

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of regulation 2.3.4 of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Regulations, 2011, the manufacture, storage, sale or distribution of gutkha and panmasala containing tobacco and/or nicotine as ingredients, by whatsoever name it is available in the market, is hereby prohibited for a period of one year with effect from the 7th day of November 2023, in the State of West Bengal, to safeguard interests of Public Health.


Principal Secretary
Health & Family Welfare Department
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