

GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD SAFETY
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No.F.PS/CFS/2026/4093

Date: 05/06/2026

Ref.: 1. *Hon'ble CM, DELHI's Review Meeting on 02.06.2026.*

2. *Meeting with Merchant Associations, FBO groups, redressal of grievances regarding.*

ORDER

Subject: Maximization of Coverage of Food Business Operators (FBOs) for Ensuring Food Safety

Whereas licences and registrations under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 are issued online through the Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS) by both the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), Government of India, and the Government of NCT of Delhi, in accordance with the prescribed eligibility criteria and conditions;

And whereas FSSAI, Govt. of India exercises regulatory oversight over the Food Business Operators (FBOs) licensed by it through its designated enforcement mechanism, including Designated Officers and Food Safety Officers assigned to specific areas within Delhi for Centrally licensed FBOs.

And whereas the Food Safety Department, GNCTD, has its own enforcement mechanism comprising Designated Officers and Food Safety Officers for monitoring and regulating FBOs falling within its jurisdiction;

And whereas it has been observed that inspections and sampling activities are being undertaken by field officials of the Food Safety Department, GNCTD, at certain FBOs holding Central Licences issued by FSSAI, resulting in duplication of regulatory efforts and diversion of resources that could otherwise be utilized for greater coverage of FBOs under the jurisdiction of the Food Safety Department, GNCTD;

And whereas the FoSCoS platform does not permit Schedule IV inspections of Centrally Licensed FBOs by field officials of the Food Safety Department, GNCTD;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred as per clause (d) of sub section 30 of the FSS Act, 2006 and in order to ensure optimum utilization of available resources and maximizing regulatory coverage of FBOs under the jurisdiction of the Food Safety Department, GNCTD, it is hereby ordered that the field officials of the Department shall undertake inspections, surveillance, and sampling activities in respect of FBOs registered or licensed under the Food Safety Department, GNCTD. Centrally Licensed FBOs shall ordinarily be inspected or visited by the field officials of the Food Safety Department, GNCTD, only upon the request of, or in coordination with, FSSAI, Government of India, so as to avoid duplication of regulatory efforts and ensure effective utilization of enforcement resources.



Exception: In cases involving a public health emergency, requiring immediate intervention in the interest of public health, the concerned Food Safety Officer(s) may undertake inspection and/or sampling activities at any relevant FBO, including Centrally Licensed FBOs, under written intimation to the Commissioner and FSSAI, Government of India. An Inspection Order in this regard is a must which may be in digital form considering the health emergency situation.

This order shall come into force with immediate effect.


Commissioner (Food Safety)

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1. Deputy Commissioner/Designated Officers.
2. All Food Safety Officers/FAs
3. Official WhatsApp Group.
4. Guard File.

Copy for favour of kind information to:

1. Secretary (H&FW), GNCTD.