

Food Safety and Standards Authority of India

Fourth meeting of the Scientific Committee held on 23rd December, 2011 at 11:00 AM at Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, FDA Bhawan, New Delhi.

The following agenda items were discussed in the meeting:

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1	Standards for Trans Fatty Acids
2	Consideration of recommendation of 5 th meeting of the Scientific Panels on Functional Foods, Nutraceuticals, Dietetic Products and Other Similar Products for Use of Nutritional ingredient in various food items the earlier recommended by the Central Committee on Food Standards (CCFS)- addition of Oligofructose, Trehalose, phytosterols esters and Sodium Iron (III) Ethylene Diamine tetra Acetate, Trihydrate (Sodium Ferredetate-Na Fe EDTA) in various food products.
3	Amendment to Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Regulations, 2011 with regard to Maximum Residues Limits of Pesticides
4	Confirmation with rationale on Zinc and Copper as nutrient or contaminant
5	Consideration of recommendations of 2 nd Meeting of Scientific Panel on Food Additives, flavouring, processing aids and material in contact with food held on 25-07-2011 at New Delhi
6	Consideration of recommendations of 3 rd Meeting of Scientific Panel on Food Additives, flavouring, processing aids and material in contact with food held on 02.11.2011 at New Delhi
7	Consideration for recommendations of 2 nd meeting of the Expert Group on Oils and Fats to examine the issue relating to oils and fats held on 24.08.2011.
8	Consideration of recommendation of 5 th meeting of the Scientific Panels on Functional Foods, Nutraceuticals, Dietetic Products and Other Similar Products for Recommendation of Scientific Panel on regulation for Nutraceuticals, nutritionals, functional foods, Novel Foods and health food Supplements
9	Standards of interesterified fats

10	Blue tinted plastic containers used for bulk packaging, mineral water and packaged drinking water
11	Reducing salt and saturated fat – combating Non-communicable diseases

Following are the issues on which recommendations were finalized by the Scientific Committee:

1. Standards for Trans Fatty Acids
2. Addition of Oligofructose, Trehalose, phytosterols esters and Sodium Iron (III) Ethylene Diamine tetra Acetate, Trihydrate (Sodium Ferredetate-Na Fe EDTA) in various food products.
3. Amendment to Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Regulations, 2011 with regard to Maximum Residues Limits of Pesticides.
4. Ban on use of Potassium Bromate as Food Additive.
5. Use of Carboxymethyl Cellulose as an Emulsifying and Stabilizing Agent in Chocolates, Dressing and Sauces.
6. Labelling Requirement of Monosodium Glutamate with regard to warning in respect of use by infant below 12 months. .
7. Use of Polydextrose (INS 1200) in Carbonated and non carbonated beverages.
8. Recommendation of 5th meeting of the Scientific Panels on Functional Foods, Nutraceuticals, Dietetic Products and Other Similar Products for Recommendation of Scientific Panel on regulation for Nutraceuticals, nutritionals, functional foods, Novel Foods and health food Supplements
9. Blue tinted plastic containers used for bulk packaging, mineral water and packaged drinking water