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Food Safety and Standards Authority of India Drafts Food Recall Procedure

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Report Highlights:

The Food safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has recently uploaded the draft of its proposed food recall procedures on its website, seeking suggestions and comments from stakeholders

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Introduction: This report summarizes a proposed draft food recall procedures and regulations proposed by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), the GOI's new national food safety authority.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Type of Regulation: Draft

Important Dates:

- **Publication Date:** Not Available
- **Notification to the WTO:** Not notified to date.
- **Final Date for Comments:** March 27, 2009
- **Effective Date:** Not available

Products Affected: Various food items

Agency in Charge: Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, GOI

Objective:

The objectives of food recall guidelines are:

- To guide Food Business Operators (FBOs) on how to carry out a food recall by facilitating the efficient, rapid identification and removal of unsafe food from the distribution chain and by informing consumers (where necessary) of the presence on the market of potentially hazardous food and ensuring that unsafe food are contained and destroyed or rendered safe;
- To guide FBOs on how to establish a written recall plan for carrying out food recall in order to ensure the hygiene, safety and quality of food and to protect the health of consumers; and
- To establish a follow-up action/post recall report in order to ensure the effectiveness of the recall and prevent a repetition.

The full text of the proposed draft food recall procedures can be accessed from: <http://fssai.gov.in/Recall.doc>. For additional information about FSSAI please visit: www.fssai.gov.in

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