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Report Highlights:

On July 14, 2021, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) extended the compliance timeline for guidelines issued for commercial feeds/feed materials (i.e., compounded cattle feed) intended for meat and milk producing animals. The extension applies to a relatively limited pool of industry stakeholders, who encountered difficulties in obtaining Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) certification/licensing during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic second wave. The new compliance date, for this group, is set for January 1, 2022.

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

On July 14, 2021, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) (authority) extended the compliance timeline for guidelines issued for commercial feeds/feed materials (i.e., compounded cattle feed) intended for meat and milk producing animals. The extension applies to a relatively limited pool of industry stakeholders, who encountered difficulties in obtaining Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) certification/licensing during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic second wave (see, Appendix I). The new compliance date, for this group, is set for January 1, 2022. The notification is accessible on the FSSAI website located at: [https://fssai.gov.in/upload/advisories/2021/07/60eeaf0a1cb43Extension TimeLine Meat milk 14 07 2021.pdf](https://fssai.gov.in/upload/advisories/2021/07/60eeaf0a1cb43Extension%20TimeLine%20Meat%20milk%2014%2007%202021.pdf)

Background: The Bureau of Indian Standards established in 2009 standards for feeds/feed materials intended for meat and milk producing animals.¹ On December 10, 2019, the FSSAI issues guidelines, based on the Food Safety and Standards Act (2006), requiring commercial feeds/feed materials intended for food producing animals to comply with the relevant BIS standards, and to be manufactured, imported, distributed, and sold only with BIS Certification Mark (see, [GAIN INDIA \(IN2020-0094\) – Compliance Timeline Extended on Commercial Feeds and Feed Materials Standards](#)). With the new FSSAI guidelines, the intent is to make the BIS standards mandatory.

The authority's action is premised on the imported nature of commercial feeds/feed materials and their utilization in the domestic meat (i.e., from the domestic/Asian water-buffalo, *Bubalus bubalis*) and dairy (both water buffalo and *Bos taurus*) cattle herds. The FSSAI guidelines set an implementation date of June 10, 2020, six-months from the date of issue of the notification.

On January 27, 2020, nevertheless the FSSAI amends its December 10, 2019, guidelines. It notes that commercial feeds intended for cattle will comply with BIS specifications only for compounded feeds for cattle (IS 2052:2009) and shall carry a BIS Certification Mark on the label of products. Implementation is set to begin six-months from the date of issue of this guideline, that is on July 27, 2020. On July 24, 2020, the authority, however, amends the guidelines' compliance timeline, establishing a new compliance date of January 21, 2021.

On January 1, 2021, the FSSAI extends the compliance date for stakeholders to adopt BSI standards pertaining to the commercial feeds/feed materials intended for meat and milk producing animals. The new compliance date is July 1, 2021, with the timeline extended to accommodate requests from industry stakeholders due to the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak and the nationwide lockdown in early 2020 (see, [GAIN INDIA \(IN2021-0002\) – Second Extension on Commercial Feeds and Feed Materials Standards Compliance Timeline](#)).

¹ The BIS 2009 standards were not originally meant as mandatory, rather they were put in place to serve as a quality certification mechanism for enhancing consumer satisfaction.

APPENDIX I: FSSAI NOTIFICATION – EXTENSION OF THE TIMELINE FOR COMPLIANCE OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS/FEED MATERIALS INTENDED FOR MEAT AND MILK PRODUCING ANIMALS WITH RELEVANT BIS STANDARDS

F. No. 1-95/Std/Misc/SP(L&C/A)/FSSAI-2015-pt-1

Food Safety and Standards Authority of India

(A Statutory Authority established under the Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006)

(Regulation Division)

FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110 002

Dated, the 14th July, 2021

Subject: Extension of timeline for compliance with the direction dated 27th January, 2020 issued under 16(5) of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 regarding compliance of commercial feeds/feed materials intended for meat and milk producing animals with relevant BIS standards.

Reference is drawn to the direction even number dated 1st January, 2021 regarding the subject mentioned above wherein the timeline for the compliance of the provision related to compliance of the commercial feed intended for cattle with Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) specifications for Compounded feeds for Cattle (IS 2052:2009) as amended on the date of enforcement of the direction and to carry a BIS certification mark on the product label was extended up to 1st July, 2021.

2. Meanwhile representations have been received requesting for further extension of time for compliance with the provisions of the above mentioned direction on account of difficulties faced in obtaining BIS certification/licensing during the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic.
3. After due consideration of the representations, it has been decided to extend the timeline for compliance of the provisions of the above mentioned direction for those businesses whose applications for BIS certification/licensing of their product (compounded cattle feed) are currently under process as per annexure 1 further upto 1st January, 2022.
4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority in exercise of the power vested under Section 16(5) of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.


(Inoshi Sharma)

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Application Number	Received Date	Firm Name	District	State	Scale	IS Number
93000923	2021-07-03	KISAN FODDER MILLS PRIVATE LIMITED	CHANDAULI	UTTAR PRADESH	Small	IS 2052:2009
75001459	2021-06-30	Hindustan Feeds Manufacturing Company	SATARA	MAHARASHTRA	Medium	IS 2052:2009
75001480	2021-06-29	Baramati cattlefeeds Pvt. Ltd.	PUNE	MAHARASHTRA	Small	IS 2052:2009
73000067	2021-06-28	THE BARODA DISTRICT CO-OP MILK PRODUCERS UNION LTD	VADODARA	GUJARAT	Large	IS 2052:2009
82001204	2021-06-25	CATTLE FEED FACTORY BANDOL	SEONI	MADHYA PRADESH	Micro	IS 2052:2009
98000254	2021-06-22	OM FEED INDUSTRIES	JALANDHAR	PUNJAB	Small	IS 2052:2009
64000482	2021-06-22	ANANTH OIL EXTRACTIONS PRIVATE LIMITED	ERNAKULAM	KERALA	Small	IS 2052:2009
75001463	2021-06-16	BARAMATI CATTLEFEEDS PRIVATE LIMITED	AHMEDNAGAR	MAHARASHTRA	Medium	IS 2052:2009
93000891	2021-05-29	RAMAN AGRO EXPORT PVT LTD	CHANDAULI	UTTAR PRADESH	Small	IS 2052:2009
79000014	2021-05-21	KUTCH DISTRICT CO-OP. MILK PRODUCERS' UNION LTD	KUTCH	GUJARAT	Large	IS 2052:2009
87001461	2021-04-23	SURYA AGRIMART INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED	HAPUR (PANCHSHEEL NAGAR)	UTTAR PRADESH	Medium	IS 2052:2009
82001108	2021-04-23	MP STATE LIVESTOCK & POULTRY DEV. CORPORATION	HOSHANGABAD	MADHYA PRADESH	Medium	IS 2052:2009
72001996	2021-02-18	Kaira District Co-ope. Milk Producer union LTD.	KHEDA	GUJARAT	Large	IS 2052:2009
75001343	2021-01-22	Shri Padmavati Agro Industries Private Limited	KOLHAPUR	MAHARASHTRA	Large	IS 2052:2009
75001255	2020-12-07	Baramati Agro Limited	PUNE	MAHARASHTRA	Large	IS 2052:2009

Attachments:

No Attachments.