

Theme: Collaborative Approach on Strengthening Food Safety & Regulatory framework

Date: 19th -21st September 2024

Venue: Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi

Background

The Global Food Regulators Summit is an endeavour of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to create a platform of food regulators to exchange perspectives on strengthening food safety systems and regulatory framework across the food value chain.

The Food Safety and Regulatory Ecosystem needs to be constantly adapted to the emerging food hazards, new technologies, pandemic scenarios and ever evolving consumer needs. While there is evolution of food safety and regulatory framework across the globe, it is also extremely important to foster harmonisation of these policies to enable exchange of knowledge for building strategies to ensure safety and quality and provide safe food for all.

The inaugural Global Food Regulators Summit (GFRS 2023), held during India's G20 presidency in July 2023, marked a significant milestone in addressing global food safety challenges. Inaugurated by Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, the Honorable Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, the two-day event garnered international recognition for its innovative approach in tackling food safety issues.

Building on the success of the inaugural Global Food Regulators Summit (GFRS), Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) under the aegis of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is organizing the 2nd Global Food Regulators Summit as part of World Food India from 19th -21st September 2024 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

This strategic initiative aims to sustain the positive momentum generated by the first summit and address the evolving landscape of global food safety.

Objectives

- To create an opportunity for exchange of information on food product regulatory and safety requirements
- To enable a common dialogue on food safety, risk assessment, analytical competence and mutual capacity building programs.
- To enable the food value chain stakeholders such as food manufacturers, processors as well as government and non-government officials to understand food safety and regulatory framework in other countries

Participants

- All major food regulators globally of different countries
- International organizations: WHO, CODEX, FAO, EFSA (EU)
- International Food Research Institute: German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (Germany). Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) (USA), Health Canada, Australian Institute of Food Safety and Technology. The

Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation, National Food Research Institute Japan, Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs DEFRA (UK) etc.

- National Stakeholders: Department of commerce, Ministry of Food Processing APEDA, MPEDA, EIC, IOPEPC Spices Board, Tea Board, Coffee Board, SHEFEXIL CAPEXIL DGFT, importers, exporters, manufacturers, traders, industry association like Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO), Forum of Indian Food Importers (FIFI), CII, FICCI, National institutes of research like CFTRI, NIFTEM, Central Institute of Fisheries Technology (CIFT). Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE), National Research Centre (NRC) on meat, peanut and grapes etc

Focus Area

Enable dialogues on:

1. Innovation in Global Food Regulatory Framework
2. Antimicrobial Resistance
3. Best Practices On Robust Standards Setting Framework
4. Role of Animal Feed in Ensuring Food Safety
5. Global Trends in Handling of Food Emergency and Traceability
6. Ensuring Food Safety and Nutrition For All

Expected Outcomes

- Enabling a Cohesive Network on Food Safety and Regulatory aspects.
- Enabling effective understanding of compliance requirements and mutual exchange of best practices, experiences and success stories on food safety norms/regulations.
- Explore opportunities to identify collaborative work areas to establish synergies among global regulators/organizations/agencies.