

FSSAI Issues Direction for Re-Operationalisation of the FSS (Health Supplements, Nutraceuticals, Food for Special Dietary Use, Food for Special Medical Purpose, and Prebiotic and Prebiotic Food) Regulations, 2022

On 11th April 2023, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) issues the Directions under Section 18 (2) (d) to be read with Section 16 (5) of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 in regard to the Re-Operationalisation of the Food Safety and Standards (Health Supplements, Nutraceuticals, Food for Special Dietary Use, Food for Special Medical Purpose and Prebiotic and Prebiotic Food) Regulations, 2022.

The direction was issued with the exercise of power as conferred under Section 92 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, FSSAI has framed the Food Safety and Standards (Health Supplements, Nutraceuticals, Food for Special Dietary Use, Food for Special Medical Purpose and Prebiotic and Prebiotic Food) Regulations, 2022 and the same were to be operationalised vide direction issued on 29th March 2022 superseding the Food Safety and Standards (Health Supplements, Nutraceuticals, Food for Special Dietary Use, Food for Special Medical Purpose, Functional Food and Novel Food) Regulations, 2016. The Direction issued on 29th March 2022 was even further revised vide direction issued on 10th May 2022 in order to permit additional food additives and enzymes/proteins for Health Supplements.

The provisions of these draft regulations as specified in the directions issued on 29th March 2022 together with the provisions specified in the directions issued on 10th October 2022. As the finalisation of these draft regulations is likely to consume some more time before being notified, it has been decided to again re-operationalise the provisions specified in the directions issued on 18th October 2022 deemed to be effective from 1st April 2023.

This Direction was issued with the approval of the Competent Authority through the exercise of powers as conferred under Section 18 (2) (d) and Section 16 (5) of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

