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Report Highlights:

On December 11, 2012, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) published a Second Amendment to the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labeling) Regulations, 2011. The FSSAI has invited comments/suggestions from stakeholders within a period of 30 days from the date on which this notification is made available to the public i.e. by January 11, 2013.

General Information:

Introduction: This report summarizes the proposed second draft amendment to the Food Safety and Standards Regulations 2011 established under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, related to Packaging and Labeling.

The full text of the proposed amendment, as given in the notification is given below.

1. (i) These regulations may be called the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labeling) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2012.

(ii) They shall come into force from the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labeling) Regulations, 2011,

a. In regulation 2.2. relating to 'Labeling', in sub-regulation 2.2.2 relating to 'Labeling of Pre-packed Foods', in clause 3, in sub-clause (v), after item (iii), before the proviso, the following shall be inserted, namely:

“(iv) Edible vegetable oils, fats including hydrogenated vegetable oils, and processed and packaged foods with declared shelf life will have the following declaration on the label:

- i. Total trans fat content =per cent by weight
- ii. Total saturated fat content =per cent by weight.”

b. In regulation 2.4 relating 'Specific Requirements/Restrictions on manner of labeling', in sub-regulation 2.4.2 relating to 'Labeling of edible oils and fats', in clause 4, after sub-clause (b), the following shall be inserted, namely:

“(c) Contains Trans fatty acids----- percent by weight, and
Saturated fatty acids-----percent by weight.”

The full text of the notification dated November 29, 2012 can also be accessed at [Notification](#) on FSSAI website.

Type of Regulation: Draft

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- **Copy of notification made public on:** December 11, 2012
- **Time period for receiving Comments/Suggestions:** 30 days from the date when copies were

made public (January 11, 2013).

- **WTO notification Date:** Not notified (as of December 26, 2012)

Comments/suggestions should be addressed to:

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Products Affected: All food products

Agency in Charge: Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI

For further details on packaging and labeling, please refer to the following GAIN reports.

IN2085	India may allow new package sizes
IN2045	India amends labeling requirements for imported food
IN2003	First Amendment to the Food safety and Standards Regulations, 2011

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