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## Food Safety and Standards Authority of India

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

## (Regulatory Compliance Division)

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Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS) - https://foscos.fssai.gov.in

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# Subject: SOP for applying +F Endorsement Certificate for Fortified food products in FoSCoS

FSSAI has notified the Food Safety and Standards (Fortification of Foods) First Amendment Regulations, 2020 on 18th December 2020 which will be implemented wef 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021. The said regulations provide standards for fortified processed foods in addition to earlier notified five staples Milk, Edible Oil, Rice, Wheat Flour and Salt for fortification.

2. In view of the above, the provision for applying endorsement of Fortified food products in FSSAI License/Registration in Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS) has been modified to provide coverage to processed foods in the following listed Food Product Categories (FPC):

S.No.	Food products which are covered under the FSS (Fortification of Foods) First Amendment Regulations, 2020 for which endorsement can be obtained	Food product category in FoSCoS
1.	Milk	01-Dairy products and analogues, excluding products of food category 2.0
2.	Edible Oil	02 - Fats and oils, and fat emulsions
3.	Fortified Fruit Juices	04 - Fruits and vegetables (including mushrooms and fungi, roots and tubers, fresh pulses and legumes, and aloe vera), seaweeds, and nuts and seeds
4.	Rice, Wheat Flour and Maida, Fortified Cereal Products	06-Food Product Category-06 Cereals and cereal products, derived from cereal grains, from roots and tubers, pulses, legumes and pith or soft core of palm tree, excluding bakery wares of food category 7.0
5.	Fortified bakery wares	07 - Bakery products
6.	Salt	12 salts, spices, soups, salads and protein products

- 3. FBOs will be required to upload test reports showing levels of fortificants in the fortified food product from a FSSAI notified/NABL accredited Lab against each product for +F endorsement to substantiate the claim made for fortification. The grant of +F endorsement certificate by the concerned Designated Officer (DO) or Registering authority (RA) shall be based on the verification of the application submitted by the FBO.
- 4. Further, in order to provide ease of doing business, it has been decided to discontinue with the renewal process of +F endorsement certificate by the FBOs. The validity of +F endorsement certificate shall now be as follows:

# In case of License

"+F endorsement certificate is valid till license (<u>License no</u>) is valid or the product in license is endorsed."

# In case of Registration

"+F endorsement certificate is valid till Registration Certificate (<u>RC no</u>) is valid or the food product category in the registration certificate is endorsed."

- 5. The user manual on process flow of applying for the +F endorsement certificate is available on FoSCoS website (<a href="https://foscos.fssai.gov.in/user-manual">https://foscos.fssai.gov.in/user-manual</a>). The list of FBOs having valid +F endorsement certificate can be searched under FBO search panel on the FoSCoS homepage.
- 6. Concerned State Authorities shall perform random checks on the FBOs who have opted for manufacturing of fortified food product s and may take necessary action in case of any anomaly found.

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#### To -

- 1. All Food Business Operators, Associations, Food Safety Mitra and other Stakeholders
- 2. Commissioner of Food Safety of concerned States/UTs
- 3. Directors of all Regional Offices, FSSAI
- 4. Head (IT) for uploading on website

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