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Final Amendment on Pullulan as a Food Additive

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Report Highlights:

The Government of India's (GOI) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) amended the [Food Safety and Standards \(Food Product Standards and Food Additives\) Regulations, 2011](#), to include pullulan as a food additive.

Executive Summary:

FSSAI published the [Food Safety and Standards \(Food Product Standards and Food Additives\) Amendment Regulations, 2015](#), to include pullulan as a food additive. The final amendment is based on public comments received from various stakeholders on the draft regulations published on December 8, 2014 ([IN4115](#)).

General Information:

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Background:

FSSAI notified [Food Safety and Standards \(Food Product Standards and Food Additives\) Amendment Regulations, 2015](#), to include pullulan as a food additive. The most recent 2015 final amendment reflects changes based on feedback from the public (See GAIN Report [IN4115](#) for draft amendment).

The full text of the final amendment published by FSSAI on November 12, 2015 is provided below and is also available on their website: <http://www.fssai.gov.in/>.

Details of Notification: F.No.P.15025/263/13-PA/FSSAI

- Publication Date: November 12, 2015
- Date of Implementation: Immediate

Products affected: Dairy based desserts such as pudding, fruit or flavored yoghurt, pre-cooked pastas and noodles, seasonings and condiments.

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

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(Food Safety and Standards Authority of India)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 4th November, 2015

F. No P. 15025/263/13-PA/FSSAI.—Whereas the draft of the Food Safety and Standards of India (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) (Amendment) Regulations, 2014, were published as required under sub-section (1) of section 92 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (34 of 2006), vide notification of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India number F.No. P. 15025/263/13-PA/FSSAI, dated the 17th October, 2014 in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Section 4, dated the 17th October, 2014, inviting objections and suggestions from the persons likely to be affected thereby, before the expiry of the period of thirty days from the date on which the copies of the Official Gazette containing the said notification were made available to the public;

And whereas the copies of the said Gazette were made available to the public on the 17th October, 2014;

And whereas the objections and suggestions received from the public in respect of the said draft regulations have been considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 92 read with section 16 of the said Act, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India hereby makes the following regulations

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further to amend the Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulations, 2011, namely:—

REGULATIONS

1. Short title and commencement.—(1) These regulations may be called the Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) (Amendment) Regulations, 2015.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulations, 2011, in regulation 3.1 relating to “Food Additives”,-

(a) in sub-regulation 3.1.17 relating to “Other substances to be used in Specified limits”, in the TABLE, after serial number 19 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries shall be inserted, namely:—

Sl.No.	Substances	Food	Maximum level of use (ppm) mg/kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
“20.	Pullulan (thickening and glazing agent)	Dairy based desserts, such as pudding, fruit or flavoured yoghurt, etc., Fat-based dessert excluding dairy based dessert products of food category 1 mentioned above. Pre-cooked pastas and noodles and like products. Seasoning and condiments.	GMP”.

ASHISH BAHUGUNA, Chief Executive Officer
[Advt. III/4/Exty./187-0/15(246)]

Note : The principal regulations were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Section 4 vide notification number F.No. 2-15015/30/2010, dated the 1st August, 2010 and subsequently amended vide notification numbers:

- (i) F.No. 4/15015/30/2011, dated 7th June, 2013.
- (ii) F.No. P.15014/1/2011-PFA/FSSAI, dated 27th June, 2013.
- (iii) F.No. 5/15015/30/2012, dated 12th July, 2013.
- (iv) F.No. P15025/262/2013-PA/FSSAI, dated 5th December, 2014.
- (v) F.No. 1-83/SciPan-Noti/FSSAI-2012, dated 17th February, 2015.
- (vi) F.No. 4/15025/30/2011, dated 4th August, 2015.