

UT Administration of Daman & Diu
Directorate of Medical & Health Services
CHC Campus, Fort Area,
Moti Daman - 396220

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Dated : 02/11/2012

NOTIFICATION

FOOD SAFETY AND STANDARD Act, 2006

WHEREAS in the research conducted by various institutions, it is observed that, due to consumption of Gutka or Pan Masala, there are chances of oral cancer. Further it is revealed that chewing of Gutka leads to oral sub-mucous fibrosis;

AND WHEREAS, the survey conducted by the Global Adult Tobacco Survey of India (GATS) in the year 2009-10 revealed that 35% adult use tobacco in any one of the forms, out of which 21% are found to be consuming smokeless tobacco;

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AND WHEREAS, Gutka and Pan Masala known by any name are articles of food which contain tobacco and nicotine as ingredients and consumption of such products is injurious to health and this contravenes the provisions of regulation 23.4, of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on Sales) Regulations, 2011;

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient to prohibit in the interest of public health, the manufacture, storage, distribution and sale of Gutka and Pan Masala in which tobacco and/or nicotine is widely used as an ingredient and are sold in the UT of Daman & Diu;

AND WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Food Safety is empowered under Section 30 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 to prohibit, in the interest of public health, the manufacture, storage, distribution or sale of any articles of food either in the whole UT of Daman & Diu or any area or part thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, I, the Commissioner of Food Safety, UT of Daman & Diu, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause(a) of sub-section (2) of section 30 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (Act No.34 of 2006), in the interest of public health, hereby prohibit the manufacture, storage, distribution or sale of Gutka and Pan Masala known by any names containing tobacco and/or nicotine as an ingredient available in the market and any other products marketed separately to constitute as Gutka or Pan Masala as final product in the whole of UT of Daman & Diu for a period of one year with effect from December 1, 2012.

Sd/-
(P. S. Reddy)
Commissioner of Food Safety
Daman & Diu

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