



## **Unit III - Topic 4**

### **Indian Food Regulation and Quality assurance**

Indian food regulation and quality assurance are governed by various laws, regulations, and standards set forth by governmental bodies. Here's an overview:

1. **Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI):** FSSAI is the apex body responsible for regulating and supervising food safety and standards in India. It was established under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006. FSSAI lays down the standards for food products, issues licenses to food businesses, and regulates the manufacturing, storage, distribution, sale, and import of food to ensure their safety and quality.
2. **Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006:** This act established FSSAI and provides a comprehensive regulatory framework for ensuring the safety and quality of food products in India. It covers various aspects including food standards, licensing, labeling, packaging, food additives, and contaminants.
3. **Food Safety and Standards (Licensing and Registration of Food Businesses) Regulations, 2011:** These regulations specify the procedures and requirements for obtaining licenses and registrations for various types of food businesses, including manufacturers, processors, distributors, and retailers.
4. **Food Safety and Standards (Food Product Standards and Food Additives) Regulations, 2011:** These regulations lay down the standards for various food products including their composition, additives, and labeling requirements.
5. **Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labeling) Regulations, 2011:** These regulations specify the packaging and labeling requirements for food products to ensure consumer safety and prevent misleading information.
6. **Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins, and Residues) Regulations, 2011:**



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These regulations set limits for various contaminants, toxins, and residues in food products to safeguard public health.

7. Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restriction on Sales) Regulations, 2011: These regulations prohibit or restrict the sale of certain foods or ingredients that are deemed unsafe or harmful to health.
8. Food Safety and Standards (Import) Regulations, 2017: These regulations govern the import of food products into India and specify the requirements for obtaining import licenses, clearance procedures, and quality standards for imported foods