

P R E S S N O T E

DIRECTORATE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ADMINISTRATION

REQUIREMENT OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE OR LICENCE, AS PER FOOD SAFETY & STANDARDS ACT, 2006

News reports have appeared in local newspapers, and on receipt of several complaints, by this Directorate, that many private cars and taxis are being converted into mobile shops selling vegetables, fruits, fish, chicken, bakery products, fast food, and various other food articles, in parking lots and along the roadsides, without obtaining licence/ Registration Certificate, from this Directorate, and is alleged that consumers are also being put at risk, as no appropriate food safety and hygiene norms are maintained, during the sale. Also, kind attention is drawn of all home based food business operators, fast food suppliers, tiffin suppliers, bakers, etc. operating from their homes without obtaining the Registration Certificate/ Licence under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, and marketing their items through social media platforms.

All such Food Business Operators who are operating roadside eateries, food carts, vans, and the home based food business operators as listed above, selling food articles, without Registration Certificate/Licence, are required to operate their food businesses, after obtaining either the Registration Certificate or licence, under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, and are adhering to the sanitary and hygienic norms stipulated under the Schedule 4 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006. Hence, no such vendors shall operate/ commence their food business without the Registration Certificate/Licence under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

Consumers should also be vigilant and check for the FSSAI licence/ Registration number of these food business operators, and in turn, should report such violations, if noticed.

All the Food Business Operators to kindly comply with the above requirements, under the law, in order to avoid any punitive action by this Directorate.

All Food Business Operators may visit the FSSAI website **foscoss.fssai.gov.in**, for obtaining the said licence.

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