

CAPACITY BUILDING: FOOD REGULATORY PROCESS RESPONDING TO REGULATORY NOTICES/NOTIFICATIONS



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PFNDAI has organised two days Workshop on Capacity Building: Food Regulatory Process on 7th & 8th March 2018 at Hotel Kohinoor Continental Mumbai. The workshop intends to explore the quality of response in terms of presentation of the scientific evidence, international context of adopted limits imposed, domestic agricultural practices and distribution systems and time required for compliance. The 2-day workshop was a capacity building model designed on a refresher-application mode, highlighted the key procedural statutes of the Act and how these were to be used in the framing of standards and specifications.

The workshop was Inaugurated by Dr. Joseph Lewis (Vice-Chairman Regulatory Affairs Committee PFNDAI). He spoke on Risk Management: Rule Making Process of US: FDA and also section related to Risk Management (FSSA). He highlighted the difference in Hazard and Risk based rulemaking. He also gave an overview on the Fats and gave an exposure on Trans fat presented in different food products.

Dr. Shatadru Sengupta (Senior Director Legal-Hardcastle Restaurants Pvt Ltd) gave an overview on Current Terms in Notification/Meaning. He spoke on The Lexicon of Indian Food Legislation where he introduced the audition about the Indian Food Law, making of rules and regulations. He also highlighted on the Guidelines and Duties and functions of Food Authority & General principles to be followed in Administration of Act.

The Session II was on Notification Response (Advertisement & Claims) where Dr. Lewis spoke on Harmonised Framework on Claims in which he told delegates about responding to a regulation & making compliance consistent, predictable and also about how to reduce the ambiguity in the texts. Further he introduced about the Frame work of Nutrition Claims and Health Claims. He also gave distinctions between Dietary Guidelines and Disease risk reduction & highlighted about health maintenance, immunity & anti-aging and summarized on Regulatory Quality.

Dr. Akanksha (Corporate Regulatory Affairs, Omni Actives) gave an overview on Nutrient

Content Claims where she spoke on Improving lives; enhancing Nutrition & wellness using science and innovation. Also highlighted some points on Nutrition and how nutrient content claims can be made.

Mr. Rajendra Dobriyal (Director – Regulatory Affairs (South Asia), HUL) introduced about the Nutrient Comparative Claims and spoke on Nutrition Claims and there types and Conditions for the Comparative Claims. He also highlighted briefly about the Nutrient content claim & Nutrient Comparative claim – Global.

The last speaker for this session was Dr. Ramasubramanian (Director, VR FoodTech) who spoke on Nutrient Function Claim and gave definition about the Nutrient Ingredient, Fortification Regulation and other Functional claims. He also highlighted about the Requirements of Nutrient Function claim & what are Permitted Nutrition Function claims and further gave criteria about how nutrient function claims can be made. He also spoke on Substantiation of Nutrient – Function claim and gave specification of the Market survey done for Nutrition – Function Claim.

The Session III was conducted on Notification (Advertisement & Claims) where Mr. Shaminder Pal Singh (Pepsico) spoke on Other Functional Claims where he introduced about FSS (Packaging & Labelling) Regulations 2011 and also defined about the Health Claims and also highlighted on Potential Functional Properties and Positive Health Benefits for some commonly consumed foods and further spoke on Conditions for Health Claims including OFCs (Codex Perspective).

Mrs. Madhavi Trivedi (Associate Director – Nutrition and Scientific Affairs Kellogg India) spoke on Health Claims Disease Risk Reduction Claims gave an overview on Frame work of claims & how are they defined. Further she spoke on Product Claims & Criteria for making the Health claims.

The last session on the day i.e. Session IV Claims Approval Process was introduced by Ms. Shilpa Telang (Head Business Tata Nx Tata Chemicals) who briefed about Regulation outline process of getting new nutrient function and reduction of disease risk claim approved by FSSAI. She also gave a Global Overview of requirements for making health claims. She also gave information about Health claim application and approval procedure in Europe.

Mr. Kiran Desai (Regulatory Affairs Manager RB) in his presentation on Non-Addition Claims: Statement of Fact, Dietary Guidelines and introduced about Claims relating to Dietary Guidelines and highlighted on Dietary Principles & ICMR Dietary Guidelines.

Mr. V Mohan (Chairman Regulatory Affairs Committee PFNDIA, Partner Intl Advocare) spoke on Advertisements & Media: Requirements under Notification where he highlighted some key points on Relevant Legislation,

Applicable Laws, Rules and Regulations. He also gave an idea about what are the Conditions, codes and guidelines of advertising.

Mr. Virendra Landge (Manager Regulatory Compliance and Advocacy Gurgaon, Coca Cola) spoke on Legal Metrology where he briefed on the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 clause 6 (1) Explanation III The clauses of Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Regulation. He also summarised about the increased font sizes applicable to LM declaration & other declarations that will be done as per Food Safety and standards (Packaging and Labelling) regulation, 2011.

Mr. Kalyan Vadlamani (Counsel-India and South West Asia at Coca Cola) spoke on New Plastic Waste Management Rules & EPR briefed on what are the gaps in the old PWM law and there is a need for new PWM law & EPR. Further he spoke on the call outs which came in 2016 regarding PWM rules and what are the extended producer's responsibilities.

Ms. Parna Dasgupta (Director, Regulatory & Government Affairs Kellogg India) presented on Non Specified Foods: Identifying these foods and clarifying the process of approval and briefed about the History & the Journey and the Evolution under the new regime. She also talked about Specific definition and criteria for Novel Foods under Nutra Regulation and later she highlighted about Additional Information for Novel food or novel food Ingredients or food processed with the use of novel technology.

Dr. J.S. Pai presented on behalf of Dr. V. Jailkhani (Regulatory compliance Manager, Schreiber Dynamix Dairies) spoke on Antibiotics in Milk and

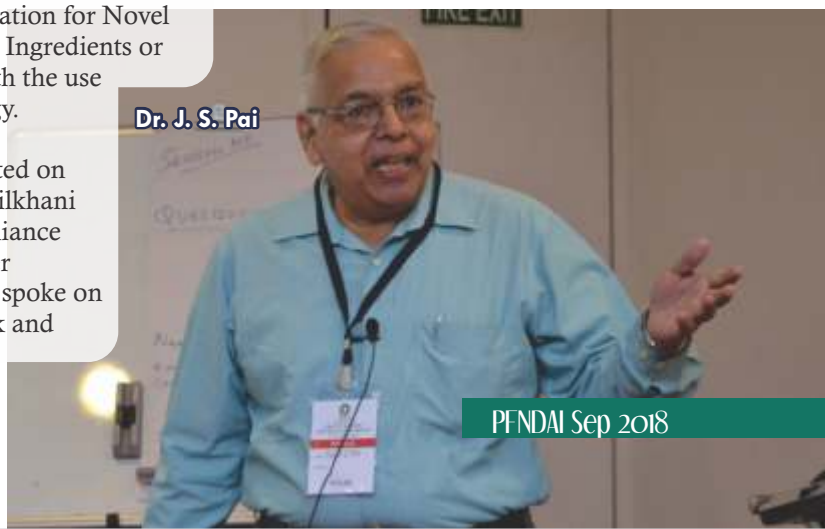
briefed about the antibiotics used in veterinary medicines & 7 elements for appropriate Regulatory framework. Further spoke about Comprehensive Antibiotic Residue Surveillance program & highlighted about what are the Steps to Prevent Antibiotic Residues.

The next speaker for this session was Dr. Javeed Mulani (Manager - Supply chain / QA (Protein) Vista Processed Foods) presented on Antibiotics in Poultry. He highlighted about the sustainable food production and antibiotics & what antimicrobial use in animals & also the common antibiotics use in poultry industry. He overall gave an idea about what are the antibiotics and what are draft notifications & regulations coming out by FSSAI regarding the Antibiotics.

Dr. Shatadru Sengupta (Senior Director Legal-Hardcastle Restaurants Pvt Ltd) in his presentation briefed about the basic parameters of ReFoC later about the Regulatory Compliance. He overviewed on the objectives of ReFoC & highlighted about Waste reduction and recycling (including Food sharing & food donations).

The speakers at the end were felicitated with a token of appreciation from PFNDIA and were extended a vote of thanks along with all the other delegates for making the workshop a successful and productive event. The Vote of Thanks was given by Dr. Pai.

Dr. J. S. Pai





Audience



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Dr. Akanksha



Dr. J. I. Lewis



Dr. Mulani



Dr. Ramasubramanian



Dr. Sengupta S.



Mr. Adsule



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Mr. Dobryal



Dr. Kiran Desai



Mr. Landge



Mr. Mohan



Mr. Shaminder Singh



Mrs. Trivedi



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Mr. Vadlamani



Ms. Dasgupta



Ms. Telang



Panel



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