PREVENTION OF FOOD ADULTERATION

NOTIFICATION Dated 2nd August, 2010

Whereas certain draft rules further to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules 1955 were published, as required by sub-section (1) of section 23 of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (37 of 1954), in the Gazette of India, vide notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), number G.S.R. 761(E), dated the 20th October, 2009, inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby till the expiry of the period of sixty days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette containing the said notification, were made available to the public:

And whereas, the copies of the said notification were made available to the public on 22nd October, 2009;

And whereas, objections and suggestions received from the public within the specified period on the said draft rules have been considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 23 of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954(37 of 1954), the Central Government, after consultation with the Central Committee for Food Standards, hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955, namely:

- 1. (1) These rules may be called the Prevention of Food Adulteration (5th Amendment) Rules, 2010.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication.
- 2. In the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 42, after sub-rule (ZZZ)(12), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:

"(ZZZ)(12A). Every package of food which is permitted to contain a mixture of Acesulfame Potassium and Sucralose sweeteners mentioned in the Table given in rule 47, shall carry the following label, namely:

- (i) This(Name of Food) contains a mixture of Sucralose and Acesulfame Potassium;
- (ii) Not recommended for children;
- (iii) *(a) Quantity of sugar added.....gm/100gm;
 - *(b) No sugar added in the product; (*Strike out whichever is not applicable).";
- 3. In the said rules,
 - (a) in rule 47,
 - (i) in sub-rule(1), in the third proviso, for the words "six mg. per hundred mg. of tablet or granule", the following words shall be substituted, namely:
 - "six mg. per tablet or hundred mg. of granule.";
 - (ii) in sub-rule (2), after the proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:

"Provided further that in carbonated water, the combination of Sucralose and Acesulfame Potassium may be used in ratio not to exceed proportionate levels of the permissible levels allowed for these individual artificial sweeteners in carbonated water under label declaration as provided in subrule (ZZZ) (12A) of rule 42.";

(b) in the Table relating to rule 47A of the said rules, after Sr. No. 2 and the entries relating thereto; the following Sr. No. and entries shall be inserted, namely:

TABLE

Sr.No.	Name of Polyols	Article of Food	Maximum Limit
"3	Maltitol / Maltitol syrup	Bakery products, ice-cream, frozen desserts, jam, jellies and marmalades	GMP.",

- 4. in the said rules, in rule 61-AA,
 - (i) the words "baked foods" and "snacks" shall be omitted;
 - (ii) the following proviso shall be inserted at the end, namely:

"Provided that modified food starches (derivative starches) may be used in snacks, frozen potato products, baked foods and salad dressing/mayonnaise upto a maximum concentration of 5 percent by weight.".

- 5. in the said rules, for rule 61-F, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:
 - **"61-F. Use of Hydroxypropyl Methyl Cellulose in various foods.-**Hydroxypropyl Methyl Cellulose may be used in the following food products not exceeding in maximum level mentioned in column 3 of the Table given below:

TABLE

S.No.	Article of Food	Maximum Level
(1)	(2)	(3)
(i)	Non-dairy whip topping	2.0 percent
(ii)	Snacks, savories, luncheonmeat and poultry products, instant mixes such as idli mix, dosa mix, upma mix, pongal mix, puliyogare mix, gulab jamun mix, jalebi mix, vada mix etc., salad dressing/mayonnaise, mixes for gravies, ice-cream, frozen desserts, puddings and custards	1.0 percent
(iii)	Mixes for dairy based drinks	0.5 percent.".

- 6. in the said rules, after rule 64-A, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:
 - **"64-AA. Use of anticaking agent in flavours.-**Synthetic Amorphous Silicon Dioxide may be used in powder flavouring substances upto 2 percent maximum.".
- 7. in the said rules, after rule 72-D, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:
 - **"72-E. Use of Dimethyl Dicarbonate.-**Dimethyl Dicarbonate may be used in fruit drinks, ready to drink tea beverages, isotonic/sports drinks and flavoured water upto 250 mg./litre subject to maximum methanol content in final product as 200 mg./litre."

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