



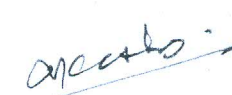
Tea Board
14, Biplabi Trailokya Maharaj Sarani
Kolkata-700001

Ref. No. 1(8)/Estt/Misc/2016 / 414

Date: 15-03-2019

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The undersigned is directed to request all concerned for necessary compliance of the order dated 30-01-2019 (copy enclosed) issued by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (Regulatory Compliance Division), New Delhi- 110002 which is self explanatory.


(Dr. Rishikesh Rai)
Secretary (I/C)

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File No. Stds/SP(Contaminants)/Misc-01/FSSAI-2018
Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
(A Statutory body under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)
(Regulatory Compliance Division)

FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road,
New Delhi 110 002

Dated, the 27th January, 2019

Order

Subject: Ban on use of staple pins in tea bags reg.

FSSAI vide Order No. 1-95/Stds/Misc/ST(L&C/A)/FSSAI-2017 dated 18.07.2017 and 15.11.2017 has directed the Food Business Operators to discontinue manufacture, storage, distribution, sale and import of stapled tea bags by 30th June, 2019. Subsequently, several representations have been received from FBOs raising the issue of cost involved in changing over staple less machines and presence of a few manufacturers of such machines globally. The matter has been examined and the following has been decided:

- a) Blanket extension of further time period for implementation of order dated 15.11.2017 shall not be given to the FBOs. However, extension of time may be given on case to case basis based on firm commitment from the FBOs with proper proof to change over within a specified time
- b) All FBOs in tea bag manufacturing are directed to submit their plan to change over to new system by procuring the new machines or modifying the existing machines

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority

(Parveen Jaffer)
Joint Director (RCD)
Tel: 011 23220994

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