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### **FSSAI seeks comments on methods of food testing**

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**Report Highlights:**

On August 27, 2012, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) released draft- "FSSAI Manuals of Method of food testing", for various food categories approved by scientific committee. FSSAI invites stakeholders' comments/views/suggestions on the draft manual by September 10, 2012.

**General Information:**

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[http://fssai.gov.in/Portals/0/Pdf/15Manuals/Notice\(27-08-2012\).pdf](http://fssai.gov.in/Portals/0/Pdf/15Manuals/Notice(27-08-2012).pdf)

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The draft- “FSSAI Manuals of Method of food testing”, is also available on FSSAI’s website [www.fssai.gov.in](http://www.fssai.gov.in). The draft manual provides in detail the methods of testing for following:

- [Analysis of metals.](#)
- [Analysis for Food Additives.](#)
- [Beverages, Sugars and sugar products and Confectionery](#)
- [Cereal and Cereal Products](#)
- [Manual of Methods for Spices and condiments.](#)
- [Meat & Meat Products and Fish & Fish Products](#)
- [Milk and Milk Products](#)
- [Mycotoxins](#)
- [Oils and fats](#)
- [Pesticide Residues Analysis in Food](#)
- [Fruits and Vegetables Products](#)
- [Microbiological testing in foods](#)
- [Antibiotics and Hormone Residues](#)
- [Manual on “General Guideline on Sampling”](#)
- [Method of Testing of Alcoholic Drinks](#)

**Background:** Rule 2.4.2 (7) of the [Food Safety and standards Rules, 2011](#) states:

“ The manuals of the method of analysis, as amended/adopted by the Authority from time to time including AOAC/ ISO/Pearson’s/Jacob/IUPAC/Food Chemicals CODEX/BIS/Woodmen/Winton-Winton/Joslyn, shall be used for analyzing the samples of food articles. However, in case the method for analyzing any parameter is not available in these manuals, a validated method of analysis prescribed by internationally recognized/analytical/regulatory agencies shall be adopted.”

