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## India

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### India Implements Food Fortification Regulation

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**Report Highlights:**


On April 17, 2017, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) implemented its Food Safety and Standards (Fortification of Foods) Regulations, 2017.

## General Information:

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On May 19, 2016, FSSAI published a draft regulation related to food fortification. As of April 17, 2017, FSSAI fully implemented its new Food Safety and Standards (Fortification of Foods) Regulations, 2017.

### Background:

On January 3, 2017, FSSAI published a draft food fortification regulation in the Official Gazette of India pertaining as an addendum to the Food Safety and Standards (Food Product Standards and Food Additives) Regulations, 2011. The draft regulation specified fortified food products including salt, vanaspati, wheat flour (*atta*), vegetable oil, milk, refined wheat flour (*maida*), and fortified rice. A  logo for packaging and labeling requirement was also included in the draft Regulation (GAIN [IN7004](#)).

Readers' may access the full text of the Regulation from the website of FSSAI at: [www.fssai.gov.in](http://www.fssai.gov.in). The text of one-page new directive is pasted below for readers' convenience.

**File No. 11/03/Reg/Fortification/2014 (pt. I)**  
**Food Safety and Standards Authority of India**  
(A statutory Authority under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India)  
**FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110002**

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The 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2017

**Subject: Direction under Section 16(5) of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 regarding Operationalisation of Food Safety and Standards (Fortification of Foods) Regulations, 2017 relating to standards for fortification of food.**

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 92 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (34 of 2006), the FSSAI has framed the Food Safety and Standards (Fortification of Foods) Regulations, 2016.

2. These regulations were operationalised in exercise of the power vested with the Food Authority under Section 18 (2) (d) read with Section 16(5) of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 with effect from 16.10.2016 and subsequently the same were notified in the gazette of India dated 23.12.2016 inviting comments and suggestions from the stakeholders.

3. The above regulations have been revised so as to include standardized milk in the list of milk variants that are permitted for fortification with vitamin A and D. Accordingly the Food Safety and Standards (Fortification of Foods) Regulations, 2017, enclosed herewith, have been made operational w.e.f. 17.04.2017.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority in exercise of the power vested under Sections 18(2) (d) and 16(5) of Food safety and Standards Act, 2006.



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Enclosure: as above

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3. All Designated Officers, FSSAI.

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