



THE ASSAM GAZETTE

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (A) DEPARTMENT : DISPUR

NOTIFICATION

The 20th August, 2018

No.HLA.582/2018/9.-Whereas, Commissioner of Food Safety and Drugs Administration had issued prohibition order under Clause (a) of Sub-Section 2 of Section 30 of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 prohibiting storage, distribution or sale of fresh fish including crustaceans brought from outside the state vide Notification No.FSC.17/2018/8 dated 10.07.2018 for a period of 10 days.

Whereas, the sale of fish after the expiry of prohibition period will have to be strictly monitored and samples will be tested for presence of formalin as per the provisions of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

Therefore, in order to effectively monitor the quality of fish in the districts, a District Level Monitoring Committee comprising the following officials is hereby constituted with following members:

1. Deputy Commissioner or Additional Deputy Commissioner nominated by DC - Chairman.
2. Superintendent of Police or Addl. Superintendent of Police nominated by SP.
3. Joint Director of Health Services.
4. Designated Officer/Sr. Food Safety Officer/Food Safety Officer – nominated by Commissioner of Food Safety for the district. .
5. District Fishery Development Officer
6. District veterinary Officer.
7. Municipality/Town Committee officials.

The Officials of the above committee will jointly monitor the presence of formalin and quality of fish sold in the markets. The following operating procedure will be followed by District Level Monitoring Committee.

1. In Kamrup (Metro): The officials will monitor the whole sale fish market at Betkuchi where the bulk of the fish arrive from other states. They will collect random fish samples and conduct spot test with Formaldehyde detection kit as well as laboratory test. The Food Safety Officer / Sr. Food Safety Officer comprised in the team/committee will follow legal procedures for this purpose as per provision of Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006.
2. For all other Districts: Similar procedure will be followed by the District level committees concerned as given above.
3. No fish shall be allowed to be stored, distributed and sold in the markets of the state, if such fish are tested positive for presence of formalin. Legal action against such traders under whose possession such fish treated with formalin are found should be immediately prosecuted under appropriate law and Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006.

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