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Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
(A Statutory Authority established under the Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006)
(Quality Assurance Division)
FDA Bhavan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110002

Dated, 23rd February 2018

To,

Shri Prakul Kumar,
Secretary General,
National Restaurant Association of India,
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New Delhi - 110016

Subject: Request for Clarification as to the oil TPC criterion specified by FSSAI

Sir,

Please refer to your letter No. NRAI/2-6 (13) dated 09 January 2018 on the subject cited above.

2. The matter has considered at FSSAI and following may please be noted:

- a) With regard to the type of field instrument to be used in the restaurant for measuring oil TPC, this is to inform that FSSAI has specified AOAC 982.27 test method in its Manual of Methods of Analysis of Oils and Fats, which is a Column Chromatography method. No field instrument has been referred in the manual for detection of TPC in oils and fats.
- b) The issue of adjustment of tolerance band in the measurement of TPC via field method does not arise due to the reason stated at (a) above.
- c) Also, the concerns raised on the TPC method of measurement and on methodology/approach for confirming the TPC of the oil via rapid method versus standard laboratory method become infructuous in view of the reason stated at (a) above.
- d) Regarding the time frame on reduction in TPC, this is to inform that no such time frame for gradual reduction of Total Polar Compound has been recommended by the Scientific Panel on Oil and fats.



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