

FSW in  
Gujarat

## Brief Report on Inspection of functioning of Gujarat

Positive point observed	Shortcomings	Suggestions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Planning of route map and its implementation with the help of local authorities is very good.</li> <li>➤ Team compliments the State regarding Number of samples being tested per day with the help of equipments provided in FSW and the way the equipments are being used.</li> <li>➤ For the awareness of public/ consumers State is in process of translating Pink and Dart Book in regional language to make booklets for distribution amongst public/awareness. Simultaneously State is also in the process of printing flyers and pamphlets on food safety. These materials are likely to be available in FSW very soon and will definitely help in making training and awareness programs interactive.</li> <li>➤ State is also planning to conduct puppet show, Nukkadnatak etc. for the public awareness.</li> <li>➤ Video on food safety is already being played on monitor of FSW which is commendable.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ So far training and awareness of consumers is concerned, State is still in planning stage and has not focused on Training and awareness by means of FSW, so far.</li> <li>➤ Chemical Testing prescribed under the Manual of FSSAI are not being performed.</li> <li>➤ FSW is not attached to any base lab for preparing basic mixtures of chemicals and other things.</li> <li>➤ One post of analyst is vacant. Once they will start doing chemical testing of food items it will be difficult for one technical officer to handle equipments and simultaneously performing chemical testing. One of the task of the technical team is also to explain the public about FSW. Therefore, presence of two technical person with FSW is very important.</li> <li>➤ So far testing of food items is concerned, more focus is being given on organized sectors such as dairy plants etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ State should try to conduct more training and awareness programs. Movement of FSW in public places and testing their food items will help in creating awareness and instilling confidence amongst consumers.</li> <li>➤ State should ensure supply of reagents and apparatus required to perform chemical testing as per manual of FSSAI.</li> <li>➤ FSW may be attached with any base lab for preparing basic mixtures of chemicals and other things before going on a particular tour.</li> <li>➤ State may be asked to fulfill the post of analyst, at the earliest.</li> <li>➤ State may be asked to use FSW more for the unorganized sector. As the unorganized sector do not have their own laboratory to get their product tested. FSW will serve as a platform for them in this regard. This will help in food safety and wholesome food products.</li> <li>➤ Ones the public become aware and start getting their food tested, State may levy some fee to test their samples for sustainable operation of FSW.</li> </ul>

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