

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2358
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH DECEMBER, 2016**

HOUSEHOLD TEST FOR DETECTING ADULTERATED MILK

2358. DR. VIKAS MAHATME:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) what steps Government has taken to act on the reports that 75 per cent of milk in market is chemical milk with a view to ensure that people get non-adulterated milk;
- (b) the steps taken to avoid use of chemical milk which is harmful to the health and is still distributed by small vendors; and
- (c) whether there are any simple tests, which can be done by household person to detect the adulteration, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)**

(a) & (b): Implementation and enforcement of FSS Act, 2006 primarily rests with the State/UT Governments. The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) regularly takes up the issue of enforcement of the provisions of the Food Safety and Standards Act, rules and regulations thereunder with the State/UT authorities, through periodic written communications as also interaction during the meetings of the Central Advisory Committee. The FSSAI in the month of April, 2016, has distributed rapid milk testing equipment [Electronic Milk Adulteration Tester (EMAT) with Milk Analyser] to three States/UTs i.e. Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and UT of Chandigarh on pilot basis. Further, the FSSAI has initiated National Milk Quality Survey (MQS)-2016, in the States of Delhi, Haryana and part of Uttar Pradesh.

(c): Booklets on adulteration and common methods for its detection in milk and milk products, oils & fats, sweetening agents, food grains & their products, pulses, spices, salt, tea, coffee, etc. both at home as well as laboratory, etc. Have been placed on FSSAI's website viz., fssai.gov.in. Documentary films on detecting the adulteration in milk & milk products, pepper & pulses, etc. have also been developed and are available on YouTube. These videos are also shown during various campaigns and events.

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