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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2249 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH DECEMBER, 2015

GUIDELINES ON HEALTH DRINKS AND TONIC

2249. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up any panel to formulate the regulatory guidelines for health drink products, nutrition and other direct medical formulation of health tonic;
- (b) if so, the details and the composition thereof; and
- (c) the details of the said guidelines?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

- (a) & (b): Section 13 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, inter alia, provides for establishing Scientific Panels on topics specified in this section. The present composition of the Scientific Panel on Functional Foods, Nutraceuticals, Dietetic Products and other Similar Products is annexed.
- (c): The draft Food Safety and Standards (Food or Health Supplement, Nutraceuticals, Food for Special Dietary uses, Food for Special Medical Purpose, Functional Foods and Novel Food) Regulations, 2015 have been notified in the Gazette of India vide Notification No.1-4/Nutraceutical/FSSAI-2013 dated 30.07.2015.

Composition of Scientific Panel on Functional Foods, Nutraceuticals, Dietetic Products and Other Similar Products

- 1. Dr. V. Prakash, Former Director, CFTRI, Distinguished Scientist, CSIR, JSS Technical Institution Campus, JSS CMS-Mysore 570006.
- 2. Dr. K. Madhavan Nair, Scientist, National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad, Jamai Osmania, Tarnaka, Hyderabad, AP-500007.
- 3. Dr Anuja Agarwala, Head, Dietician, AIIMS, New Delhi.
- 4. Dr. D. B. Anantha Narayana, Expert Member, Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, 1101/927, I F Main, 2nd Stage, Giri Nagar, Bangalore- 560085.
- 5. Dr. Premendra Dhar Dwivedi, Principal Scientist, Food Toxicology Division, Room # 303, Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Post Box No. 80, Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001.
- 6. Sh. Kumar Bhatia, Chief Consultant (Post Harvest Management and Marketing), Ministry of Agriculture and Co-operation, Government of India G-3/G, MIG DDA Flats, Munirka, New Delhi-110067.
- 7. Dr. Bikash Chandra Ghosh., Principal Scientist, Dairy Technology Section, NDRI, Abugodi 560 030, Bangalore.
- 8. Dr. Partha Roy, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, IIT, Roorkee 247667.
- 9. Dr. A. G. Appu Rao, CSIR Scientist Emeritus, University of Mysore, 528, Anikethana Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysore.
- 10. Dr. Sandhya Kulshreshtha, Consultant, Directorate General of Health Service, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi.
- 11. Dr. Manorma Kanuri, Professor (Food and Nutrition) and Head and Programme Director (Food Technology), Post Graduate and Research Centre, Food and Nutrition and Food Technology, Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad-500030.
- 12. Dr. P. Goswami, Senior Principal Scientist, North East Institute of Science and Technology, Jorhat- 785006.
- 13. Dr. Suman Kapur, Dean, Research and Consultancy, Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Room No. A- 1010, Department of Biological Sciences, Jawahar Nagar, Sharmirpet, Hyderabad-500078
- 14. Dr. Virender K. Batish, Emeritus Scientist, Molecular Biology Unit, Dairy Microbiology Division, National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal- 132001.
- 15. Sh. V.D. Sattigeri, Former Director, Central Food Laboratory, Central Food Technological Research Laboratory, 7, CFTRI Layout, 5th Main, 1st Cross, Bogadi 2nd stage, Mysore-570020.

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