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**Food Safety and Standards Authority of India**  
(A Statutory Authority established under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006)  
Regulatory Compliance Division  
FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi - 110002

Dated, the 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2019

**Subject: To keep check on labelling defects on package of Health Supplements/Nutraceutical products- reg.**

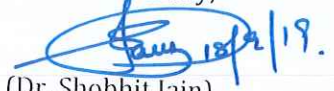
Sir/Madam,

It has been reported that food products including Nutraceutical/health supplement products which have gelatin shells or contain ingredients from animal origin depicts green dot on their package labels and declare the same as vegetarian product. This is in contravention of Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labeling) Regulation, 2011, which mandates the applicability of veg/non-veg logo on the label of pre-packed food products and same, shall be considered as misbranding and labeling defects.

2. It may be noted that all the food products falling under the category of Nutraceutical/Health Supplement shall have to comply with the Food Safety and Standards (Health Supplements, Nutraceutical, Food for special Dietary Use, Food for Special Medical Purpose, Functional Food and Novel Food) Regulations, 2016 as well as the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labeling) Regulation, 2011, failing which they will attract the penal provisions under FSS Act, 2006.

3. In view of the above, you are requested to initiate enforcement drive to keep check on the sale of such food products in your state which are in contravention with FSS (packaging and Labelling) Regulation, 2011 and initiate appropriate action against the defaulting Food Business Operators as per the provisions laid down under FSS Act, 2006, and Rules and Regulations made thereunder.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. Shobhit Jain)

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To

1. Commissioner of Food Safety of all States/UTs
2. All Authorised Officers, FSSAI
3. All Central Licensing Authority, FSSAI

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