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To

The Principals of all the colleges affiliated to the KUHS.

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No. 4(10) 2017/Delhi/RCD/FSSAI/Vol-III Food Safety and Standards Authority of India

Statutory Authority established under the Food Safety & Standards Act, 2006

(Regulatory Compliance Division)

FDA Bhavan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110 002

Dated, the ..... December, 2017

To

The Vice-Chancellor of Universities in all States/UTs The Dean/Principal of Colleges in all States/UTs

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Sir/Madam,

The hostel messes, canteens, cafeterias in your University/College premise whether run by your organisation or through other agencies are covered under the definition of Food Business Operator (FBO), hence it is imperative for them to obtain a license and fulfill all the responsibilities of an FBO as stipulated under Section 23 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006. As prescribed under Section 31(1) of FSS Act, 2006, no person shall commence or carry on any food business/activity except under a license. Therefore, Food Business Operators (FBOs) engaged in Catering Units are under obligation under FSS Act, 2006 to not only obtain FSSAI license but also to follow the General Hygienic and Sanitary Practices (GHSP) as stipulated in Part V of Schedule 4 of FSS (Licensing and Registration of Food Businesses) Regulations, 2011.

- 2. It has come to notice that many such Catering Units are still operating without FSSAI license and very few actively follow GHSP in violation of the FSS Act, 2006 thereby attracting penal action which includes seizing of the premise, imposition of penalty and imprisonment.
- 3. Accordingly, all Catering Units whether in hostels' messes, canteens and cafeterias in Colleges/Universities may be advised to take immediate action to apply for FSSAI License by 15.01.2018 without fail. The FBOs can apply for license online through FLRS portal i.e. https://foodlicensing.fssai.gov.in/index.aspx. In case of any clarification, they may contact FSSAI's Helpline Number (#1800112100) or email at licensing@fssai.gov.in.
- 4. After the expiry of the above said timeline, the Commissioners of Food Safety of all States/UTs will carry out surveys to identify defaulting FBOs operating hostels' messes, canteens and cafeterias in Colleges/Universities and take strict action under the FSS Act, 2006, Rules and Regulations made thereunder against the defaulters.

Yours faithfully

(Garima Singh)

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