

FDA IMPOSES PENALTY FOR MANUFACTURING AND SELLING SUB-STANDARD CASHEWNUTS

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Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration has informed that the District Collector, North Goa and South Goa in the capacity of Adjudicating Officer under Food Safety and Standards Act have disposed off, one case each in which the manufacturer and the seller have been imposed with penalties for manufacturing and selling sub-standard cashewnuts.

Both the manufacturers have been fined Rs. 10,000/- each and the seller in South-Goa have been fined collectively Rs. 10,000/-.

Adjudicating case in North Goa was filed by Food Safety Officer, Shri. Atul Dessai had drawn a sample from a shop at Calangute Bardez Goa. The Sample of Cashewnuts was found failing in free fatty acid, Superficial damage, Speckled or spotted black or brown kernels, insects damage, and also presence of off flavor and taste.

The second sample of Cashewnuts was drawn by Food Safety Officer, Zenia Rosario, from a super market of Margao; of a manufacturer situated at Sattari-Goa. The said sample was declared as sub-standard as the damaged/discoloured units were more than the maximum permissible limit as provided in the Regulations.

The above samples of Cashewnuts were drawn as a part of regular surveillance procedure; and also based on the complaint received, regarding quality of cashewnuts.

The drive against the sub-standard cashewnuts will continue, as informed by the Department of Information and Publicity.

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