Visit of the TATA Trusts Nutrition Team to FSSAI headquarters, New Delhi

Monday, 9th July 2018, 5pm - 7:30pm

Background

The TATA Trusts Nutrition Team visited Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), to engage and interact with its officials, primarily the Food Fortification Resource Centre (FFRC), which has been set up as a resource hub to promote large scale food fortification across the country. List of participants is annexed.
Objective

To provide a forum for participants on exchanging information and open discussion on the overview of the progress that FFRC has made since its inception.
Key Discussion Points

- CEO, FSSAI emphasized the paradigm shift that the food regulation has undergone since its origin, namely, shift from a fragmented approach to a single food law, from combating food adulteration to food safety across the food chain, and from capacity building to a self-compliant culture.
- CMSO, FSSAI highlighted that the food regulator is working towards transforming the landscape of food safety and nutrition in the country by “Doing more with Less.”
- The participants were introduced to the Eat Right Movement (TERM) - a holistic and collaborative approach with stakeholders across the food chain to improve public health and nudge consumers to eat safe and healthy through seven broad areas of action.
- It was discussed that Eating Right can have various economic and social benefits by aligning demand (by repeated messaging), and supply (by introducing product variants with reduced trans fats and HFSS).
- The participants were also briefed about the various FSSAI initiatives and the impact that they have created since their initiation.
- Deputy Lead, FFRC, presented the progress report of the resource hub. Through its four-pronged approach, viz., Open Market, Safety Net Programmes, Advocacy Building, and Mass Communication, FFRC’s role in promoting large scale food fortification across the country was highlighted, following which the forum was open for discussion.
- Programme Director - Nutrition, TATA Trusts, highlighted the organisation’s 3-pillar strategy, viz., product development, usage of platforms like SNPs, and policy advocacy and data.
- CEO, FSSAI concluded the discussion by committing to bringing in an aggregator model in the country for public health.
List of Participants

1. Shri Pawan Agarwal, CEO, FSSAI
2. Ms. Madhavi Das, CMSO, FSSAI
3. Dr. R. Sankar, Programme Director - Nutrition, TATA Trusts
4. Dr. Venkateswar, Assistant Secretary, MoHFW
5. Ms. Jasmeet Singh Sandhu, Assistant Secretary, MoHFW
6. Dr. Ankur Luther, Assistant Secretary, MoHFW
7. Ms. Nazuk Kumar, Assistant Secretary, MoHFW
8. Mr. Rahul T. Pandve, Assistant Secretary, MoHFW
9. Dr. Rubeena Shaheen, Director, FSSAI
10. Ms. Garima Singh, Director, FSSAI
11. Dr. Bhaskar N, Director, FSSAI
12. Ms. Suneeti Toteja, Director - FFRC, FSSAI
13. Dr. A.C. Mishra, Joint Director, FSSAI
14. Dr. V.P. Singh, Deputy Director, FSSAI
15. Mr. Pankaj Roy, Deputy Manager, FSSAI
16. Mr. Gaurav Singh, Deputy Manager, FSSAI
17. Mr. Daya Shankar, JD - RCD, FSSAI
18. Mr. Dinesh Sharma, JD - FSMS, FSSAI
19. Ms. Jyoti Upadhyaya, Senior Manager - IT, FSSAI
20. Mr. Vivek Arora, Senior Advisor, TATA Trusts
21. Ms. Mrinalini Singh, Consultant, TATA Trusts
22. Ms. Nishita Panwar, TINI
23. Ms. Satakshie Sharma, TINI
24. Ms. Smriti Sharma, TATA Trusts
25. Mr. Sandesh Kotte, TATA Trusts
26. Dr. Rohant Pradhan, TATA Trusts
27. Mr. Pushkar Prasad, TATA Trusts
28. Mr. Rakesh Kumar, TATA Trusts
29. Ms. Sonal Dsouza, TATA Trusts
30. Ms. Debasmita Pani, TATA Trusts
31. Ms. Bhuvaneswari Balasubramanian, Programme Manager, TATA Trusts
32. Dr. Bhagwat, Programme Manager, TATA Trusts
33. Mr. Kshitij Mamgain, Programme Officer, TATA Trusts
34. Mr. T. Madhusudhan Rao, Consultant, TATA Trusts
35. Mr. Sai Siddharth, Programme Officer, TATA Trusts
36. Ms. Farida Sultana, TINI
37. Ms. Roseline George, Consultant, TINI
38. Ms. Sheena Augusthy, Admin, TINI
40. Ms. Rijuta Pandav, Deputy, FFRC
41. Ms. Bhoomija Pant, Coordinator, FFRC
42. Ms. Deeksha Bhatt, Coordinator, FFRC
43. Ms. Himani Saini, Coordinator FFRC
44. Ms. Jyotsana Sharma, Communication Officer, FFRC
45. Ms. Kanchan Parchani, Coordinator, FFRC
46. Ms. Neeti Gadgoli, Coordinator, FFRC
47. Ms. Pooja Puri, Documentation Officer, FFRC
48. Ms. Shivani Moghe, Coordinator, FFRC
49. Ms. Vijeta Singhari, Officer - Travel and Events, FFRC