PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF FOOD SAFETY,

KERALA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM Present: Smt. Afsana Perween IAS

CFS - Prohibition of Manufacture, storage, distribution or sale of Gutka and Panmasala containing Tobacco or Nicotine in the interest of Public Health - Orders Issued.

Read:- This File even Number Dated 01/07/2023

Order No.CFS/330/2023-B1 dated.27/06/2024

The order issued read as above is revised as below. WHEREAS, REGULATION 2.3.4 of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Regulations, 2011 made by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (i) of sub-section (2) of section 92 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (Central Act 34 of 2006) read with section 26, thereof, prohibits food products in which tobacco and nicotine are used as ingredients, as they are injurious to health;

AND WHEREAS, gutkha and panmasala are food products in which tobacco and nicotine are used as ingredients;

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient to prohibit Gutkha and panmasala in the State of Kerala, being food products in which tobacco and nicotine are used as ingredients;

AND WHEREAS Section 30(2)(a) of Food Safety and Standards Act 2006 empowers the Commissioner of Food Safety to prohibit in the interest of public health the manufacture, storage, distribution or sale of any article of food not exceeding one year;

NOW THEREFORE, in pursuance of Regulation 2.3.4 of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Regulations, 2011, the manufacture, the storage, the sale or the distribution of gutkha and panmasala is hereby prohibited in the State of Kerala with immediate effect in the interest of public health.

Commissioner of Food Safety