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NOTIFICATIONS BY HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, ETC.

THE COMMISSIONER OF FOOD SAFETY AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION,
TAMIL NADU STATE.

BAN OF MANUFACTURE, STORAGE, TRANSPORT, DISTRIBUTION OR SALE OF CHEWABLE FOOD PRODUCTS, GUTKHA, PANMASALA CONTAINING TOBACCO AND NICOTINE AS "INGREDIENTS" IN THE STATE OF TAMIL NADU FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM 23RD MAY 2018 UNDER THE FOOD SAFETY AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION ORDER.

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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 subsection (2) of Section 92 read with Section 26 of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (Central Act 34 of 2006) *prohibit as tobacco and nicotine shall not be used as ingredients in any food products, as they are injurious to health;*

AND WHEREAS, any article of food as defined in Section 3 (1) (j) of Food Safety and Standards Act 2006;

AND WHEREAS, "ingredient" means any substance, including a food additive used in the manufacture or preparation of food and present in the final product, possibly in a modified form as per Section 3 (1) (y) of Food Safety and Standards Act 2006, Rule 1.2.1 of the Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Regulations, 2011;

AND WHEREAS, food containing tobacco and nicotine as "ingredient" are widely used now-a-days which are easily available in different brand names for sale in the market. For which school students, children, younger, coolies and hard labourers are affected and caused injurious to their health;

AND WHEREAS, Gutkha and Panmasala are food products in which tobacco and nicotine are widely used as ingredients now-a-days;

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

AND WHEREAS, consumption of the above such products will endanger human health and well being and whereas, if consumption of these food articles is allowed without prohibition the well being of current and future generation will be compromised and hence it has to be prohibited.

