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NOTICE

Subject: Changes in the Food Safety Training & Certification (FoSTaC) Portal-Reg.

With the approval from the competent authority the following changes have been implemented in the FoSTaC programme.

- 2. Now, FSS Trainings can be conducted in a 'closed mode', allowing a Training Partner to train a larger number of employees of the same FBO/Organization. The Closed mode of training can be conducted in the following two modes
 - **a) Offline Training-** Training Partner can conduct training for employees of same FBO/Organization and the batch code will not be available for other trainees.
 - b) **Online Training-** Training Partner can conduct online training for all Basic, and Advance courses for employees of the same FBO/Organization who are situated at different locations.

In the above closed trainings, enrollment of Trainees will be done by the Training partners. The detailed guidelines on how to conduct closed trainings can be seen on the link https://fostac.fssai.gov.in/usermanuals

- 3. For closed online FoSTaC courses, the maximum number of food handlers trained per batch is 1000 members.
- 4. The lifetime validity/perpetual nature of the Food Safety Supervisor (FSS) certificate have been revoked, and now the FSS certificate will be valid for **two years**. The food handler with an FSS certificate set to expire on 1st February, 2024, should have to undergo refresher trainings for renewal of the certificate. These refresher courses will be of 4-8 hours' duration for all Basic, Advance and Awareness FoSTaC Courses. The fee will be 50% of the fees permitted for the regular Food Safety Supervisor Training of the respective course.

4. Necessary changes have been implemented in the FoSTaC portal (https://fostac.fssai.gov.in/Fssai E-Learning Systemv2/login.fssai) to accommodate these updates.

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