

THE PREVENTION OF FOOD ADULTERATION
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 1986*

No. 70 of 1986

[24th December, 1986]

An Act further to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Thirty-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be called the Prevention of Food Adulteration (Amendment) Act, 1986.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Amendment of section 12

2. In section 12 of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) :

- (a) in the opening paragraph, after the words "a food inspector", the words "or a recognised consumer association, whether the purchaser is a member of that association or not", shall be inserted;
- (b) in the first proviso, for the words "such purchaser shall inform the vendor at the time of purchase of his intention", the words "such purchaser or recognised consumer association shall, inform the vendor at the time of purchase of his or its intention" shall be substituted;
- (c) in the second proviso, for the words "purchaser of article of food who intends", the words "purchaser of article of food or recognised consumer association who or which intends" shall be substituted;
- (d) in the third proviso, for the words "purchaser shall be entitled to get refund of the fees paid by him", the words "purchaser or recognised consumer association shall be entitled to get refund of the fees paid by him or it" shall be substituted;

*This Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 24th December, 1986, and was published for general information in Gazette of India, 26-12-1986, Part II, Section 1, Ext., p. 1 (No. 85).

(e) the following Explanation shall be added at the end, namely:

‘Explanation.—For the purposes of this section and section 20, “recognised consumer association” means a voluntary consumer association registered under the Companies Act, 1956 or under any other law for the time being in force’.

Amendment of section 20

3. In section 20 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), in the proviso:

- (a) after the words “a purchaser”, the words “or recognised consumer association” shall be inserted;
- (b) for the words “if he produces”, the words “if he or it produces” shall be substituted.

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