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**KATHUA, Oct 17:** Continuing its drive against the adulterated food items and sweet shops which are busy in profit making, a team of Food Safety Department and Revenue Department paid surprise visit at various sweet shops and seized huge quantity of sub standard materials.

Following the festival season and frequent sale of adulterated sweets in the open market, the team checked the rate lists, batch numbers and manufacturing date of packed sweets products.

Acting on the specific information a team of district administration led by Deputy Commissioner, Kathua, Rohit Khajuria, ACD, Jatinder Misra and other Revenue Department officials raided two illegal sweets manufacturing units in Kathua town run by out side the State manufacturers with out any permission. The team found that the milk products and sweets were made by powder milk and other substitute products used to manufacture the cheapest sweets while putting the health of consumer on the stake. The team seized huge quantity of adulterated sweets being manufacture on the spot.

Nearly five quintals of sweets including the Rasgulla, Ladoo, Kalakand , Gulab Jamun were seized and destroyed on the spot. The samples of the sweets were also taken to be tested in the laboratory by the Food Safety Department. The domestic gas cylinders were used in manufacturing of sweets.

The owner of one of sweet manufacturing unit Ranbir, son of Ramji Lal resident of Madhya Pradesh said that they are manufacturing the sweets for renowned sweet sellers of Kathua and also supply to nearby village like Chadwal, Chann Rorian, Dayalachak, Hiranagar, Ghagwal and Kathua town. He said the sweet sellers demand the sweets of cheapest rates to get maximum profit without caring for the health of consumers. The adulterated sweets and expire dump of sweets was also seized on the spot. A police team was also called to seize the units and legal action has been initiated against them.

.The Deputy Commissioner, Kathua, Rohit Khajuria said that acting on specific information the team of administration succeed in finding out the illegal sweet trader operating in the Kathua city . He said that the manufacturers are producing the sweets on order to supply to some reputed sweet shop of Kathua city. He said the owners are booked under law and action will taken under law. He added that the team will also enquire about the illegal trade going on and sweets shop sellers behind the unhygienic trade.

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