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Punjab: 6,500 kg of spurious sweets, milk items seized in 10 days



In the past 10 days, the food safety wing of Punjab's Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has seized over 6,500 kg of khoya and sweets, which were unfit for human consumption. Around 30 per cent of these came from Haryana and Rajasthan.

As per data compiled by the FDA, between October 29 and November 7, 6,532 kg of sweets and milk products were seized across the state. The biggest seizure was 2,550 kg of spurious desi ghee in Faridkot. It was being made from refined and vanaspati oil.

The adulterated milk products making their way from the neighbouring states is also a cause for concern. Of the seized items, around 2,052 kg came from the neighbouring states. The biggest such recovery was made from Moga, where 1,392 kg of milk cake was delivered from Jodhpur. It was delivered at half of the actual cost. The FDA has sent the samples to a lab. Apart from that, in Mohali, 670 kg of kalakand was seized procured from Haryana.

Commissioner, FDA, Dr Abhinav Trikha said to control and check inter-district and inter-state supply of milk and milk products, especially khoya, early morning and late evening hour drives were also being conducted by food safety officials.

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