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Report Highlights:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Background: On April 9, 2021, the FSSAI had published the (draft) guidance document – Standard Operating Procedures to Fix Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for Pesticides. This guidance document has not been notified to World Trade Organization (WTO) member countries for comments (see, [GAIN-INDIA-IN2021-0055-INDIA-FSSAI Publishes Draft Standard Operating Procedures for Fixation of Pesticide MRLs](#)).

The FSSAI, however, is now inviting comments from interested stakeholders within the period of sixty-days from the date of publication of the draft document on its website.

The full text of the FSSAI guidance document is accessible on the FSSAI website located at: https://fssai.gov.in/upload/uploadfiles/files/Guidance_Document_SOP_MRL_16_03_2022.pdf

Attachments:

[Guidance Document SOP MRL 16 03 2022.pdf](#)