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To,
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Sub: Sharing of the Position Statement of 22 organisations on Front of Pack Labelling of Unhealthy Packaged Food Products

Hon'ble Dr Jitendra Singh Ji,

We, the NAPi, are a group of independent experts within a national think tank on nutrition – consisting of experts in epidemiology, human nutrition, community nutrition and pediatrics, medical education, administration and management. We have decades of experience in our respective fields. We have come together since 2016 to advocate on nutrition policy in public interest.

We are pleased to share the Front-of-Pack Labelling (FOPL) on Unhealthy Food/Drink Products: *A Position Statement of Indian Organisations Protecting Public Health*, which has been endorsed by 22 public health and peoples organisations.

The position statement aims at reducing the consumption of unhealthy packaged food products to protect people's health. This position statement has been developed through extensive consultations with experts held by NAPi in public health interest. It is endorsed by 22 organisations including NAPi.

We would request you to kindly consider the Recommendations of the Statement towards development of a policy on Front-of-Pack Labelling unhealthy food products, which is currently underway at FSSAI.

We would be happy to discuss with you, and seek an appointment for the same,

With kind regards,

Sincerely,



Dr. Arun Gupta on behalf of the NAPi Team