



Ms. Rita Teotia, Chairperson, FSSAI

FSSAI is working closely with NABCB and NABL, which is enabling FSSAI to share the regulatory burden and helping in compliance monitoring using the services of the accredited conformity assessment bodies.

To improve the food security, she emphasis that the need to institutionalize the virtual assessments, the accreditation of state food testing laboratories, encouraging accredited laboratories to undertake Proficiency Testing (PT), increasing the number of accredited Reference Materials Producers (RMPs), developing Rapid Test Kits for food analysis, and an accreditation scheme for its certification, and an Integrated System for information exchange as relevant to the food sector.

Additionally, during the event, the secretary, department of Food & Public Distribution, Sudhanshu Pandey said that food safety is a right of all individuals of the country and FSSAI has made significant contributions in the last few years.

The accreditation has a very important role to play in the quality ecosystem, and urged QCI to mount a quality campaign to support it, Pandey said.



Mr. Sudhanshu Pandey, Secretary (F&PD)

Chairman QCI, Mr Adil Zainulbhai, emphasized that accreditation is an important tool to help improve quality, but the ultimate goal is to improve quality of product and services in food sector as well as other areas. He also stressed upon the need to ramp up capability and capacity to help improve quality in food services in India.

Secretary General, QCI, Dr. R. P. Singh, speaking on the occasion highlighted the need for six point programme for future:

1. Scaling up conformity assessment system in different parts of country
2. Encourage PPP model of FSSAI to work forward for "Saajha Nivesh, Saajha Vikas, Saajha Vishawas:
3. Work in direction of Certified in India and accepted globally
4. Informal Market formalization
5. "Rashtriya Gunavatta Abhiyan" which will help in crowd sourcing to check quality issues in local market through double blinded system and to develop a robust Market Surveillance
6. Rapid Alert System with all Regulators on one single e-platform.