

Government to launch nationwide workshops to implement amended Vegetable Oil Products Production and Availability (Regulation) Order, 2025

Aims to strengthen transparency, data-driven monitoring and national food security in edible oil sector

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The Department of Food and Public Distribution has notified the amended Vegetable Oil Products Production and Availability (Regulation) Order, 2025 (VOPPA 2025), marking a significant reform aimed at improving transparency, data collection, and monitoring across the edible oil industry.

Capacity-building workshops to ensure smooth implementation

To facilitate effective implementation of Vegetable Oil Products Production and Availability (Regulation) Order, 2025, the Department is launching a nationwide series of capacity-building workshops across major cities with a significant concentration of edible oil processing units.

The first workshop is scheduled to be held on 15th November 2025 at the Soybean Oil Processors Association (SOPA) Auditorium, Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

The event will:

- Underscore the importance of accurate data filing by the industry as a key driver for nation building.
- Feature interactive demonstrations on registration through the National Single Window System (NSWS) and the VOPPA portal.
- Provide hands-on guidance to industry stakeholders for smooth registration and timely submission of monthly returns under VOPPA 2025.

Following the Indore workshop, similar sessions will be organized in other major states to ensure comprehensive industry participation and compliance. In the spirit of partnership, the Department will also conduct inspection visits and interactions with nearby edible oil units to encourage and facilitate proactive compliance with VOPPA registration requirements.

Strengthening transparency and data-driven decision-making

Under the amended Vegetable Oil Products Production and Availability (Regulation) Order, all producers of crude/refined vegetable oils, solvent-extracted oils, blended oils, vanaspati, margarine, and other specified vegetable oil products are now required to register on the VOPPA portal — <https://www.edibleoilindia.in> — and submit monthly returns covering production, imports, opening and closing stocks, dispatches, sales, and consumption. These returns must be filed by the 15th of every month.

The amendment represents a major step by the Government of India towards a transparent and data-driven edible oil ecosystem, enabling enhanced monitoring of the supply chain, accurate data collection, and improved policy planning to support national food security objectives. By ensuring regular, authentic information flow from producers, the initiative will help the Government design more responsive

interventions in the edible oil sector.

Mandatory registration and compliance

The Government of India underscores that VOPPA registration is mandatory for all edible oil producers and packers. Units that fail to register or submit monthly returns will face strict penalties, including fines and other statutory action under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and the Collection of Statistics Act, 2008. To avoid legal or financial consequences, all edible oil units are urged to register immediately on the VOPPA portal (<https://www.edibleoilindia.in>) and ensure timely filing of returns, contributing to a transparent, well-monitored edible oil sector that strengthens national food security.

The Department of Food and Public Distribution reiterates that the amended VOPPA 2025 Order represents a collaborative effort to ensure transparency, accountability, and effective data governance in India's edible oil ecosystem — a critical step towards building a self-reliant, data-driven, and food-secure nation.

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