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MISSION

The Indian Pharmaceutical Association (IPA) is the national professional body of pharmacists engaged in various facets of the profession of pharmacy. The IPA is committed to promote the highest professional and ethical standards of pharmacy, focus the image of pharmacists as competent healthcare professionals, sensitize the community, government and others on vital professional issues and support pharmaceutical education and sciences in all aspects

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Sub. Comments / Suggestions for the inclusion of B. Pharm graduates as a qualification for recruitment as a Food Safety Officer & Food Analyst under Food Safety and Standards Rules 2011.

Respected Sir,

Let me take this opportunity to introduce our organization, the Indian Pharmaceutical Association (IPA), which is a premier professional organization registered as a charitable trust, with an objective to promote the science and art of pharmacy in all aspects and impart suitable education and training to professionals working in the pharmacy profession. IPA is celebrating its Platinum Jubilee this year.

As a member of the Drug Technical Advisory Board (DTAB), IPA is actively involved in advising the government on matters of drug regulation and drug industry. IPA is actively involved in healthcare activities in collaboration with international organizations like WHO and International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP).

This is to bring to your kind notice that Rule 2.1.3 of the Food Safety and Standards Rules 2011 prescribed that "Food Safety Officer shall be a whole time officer and shall, on the date on which he is so appointed, possess the following:

- A degree in Food Technology or Dairy Technology or Biotechnology or Oil Technology or Agricultural Science or
- Veterinary Sciences or Bio-Chemistry or Microbiology or Masters Degree in Chemistry or degree in medicine from a recognized University, or
- Any other equivalent/recognized qualification notified by the Central Government, and
- Has successfully completed training as specified by the Food Authority in a recognized institute or Institution approved for the purpose."

And Rule 2.1.4 of Food Safety and Standards Rules 2011 prescribed that "A person shall not be qualified for appointment as Food Analyst under the Act unless she/he:

