

Monthly Newsletter By Team Ayana Legal

7th June is World Food Safety Day

It is a Fact, in fact

As of 2020 the WHO has released the following facts:

- approx. 600 million people annually fall sick as a result of contaminated food.
- 40% of the population affected because of contaminated food are children below the age of 5.
- The FSSAI (Food Safety and Standards Authority of India) in 2019 announced that 1.7 lakh inspectors have been trained to ensure all vendors comply with food safety norms.



Food Safety is Everyone's Business

In 2018 the United Nations General Assembly declared that World Food Safety Day would be celebrated every 7th June directing attention to the increase in food borne health risks and diseases and the need for food safety and security. The general theme of World Food Safety Day is "Food Safety is everyone's business" placing responsibility not only on all member states but also on the private sector to take action and promote food safety globally.

This year's theme, 'Safe food today for a healthy tomorrow', focuses on the effects and benefits production and consumption of safe food has on the future of the planet and humanity.

A Penny for Your Thoughts?

"Civilization as it is known today could not have evolved, nor can it survive, without an adequate food supply."

- Norman Borlaug

"Many countries have food safety systems from farm to table. Everybody involved in the food supply is required to follow standard food safety procedures. You would think that everyone involved with food would not want people to get sick from it."

- Marion Nestle

"We may find in the long run that tinned food is a deadlier weapon than the machine-gun."

- George Orwell

Thank You

We hope our readers are staying safe in these trying times. Your safety is a priority, we hope you stay safe and healthy.

The call for action for World Food Safety Day has been summarized by the WHO under the following points:

1 - Ensure it's safe - Government must ensure safe and nutritious food for all

2 - Grow it safe - Agriculture and food producers need to adopt good practices

3 - Keep it safe - Business operators must make sure food is safe

4 - Know what's safe - Consumers need to learn about safe and healthy food

5 - Team up for food safety - Work together for safe food and good health"

Right to Food

Article 25 of the UDHR, 1948 States that "everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food."

According to the United Nation's committee on economic, social and cultural rights "the right to adequate food is indivisibly linked to the inherent dignity of the human person and is indispensable for the other human rights enshrined in the International Bill of Human Rights.

The International Covenant of the Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 1966 under Article 11 states that every person has a right to adequate standard of living including food and clothing. The Covenant also recognizes freedom from hunger as a fundamental right.