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The Drugs & Cosmetics Rules, 1945 has been amended vide Notification No. GSR 718 (E) dated October 13, 2014 with effect from thirty days after the publication of the notification, incorporating Rule 135 B, which prohibits the import of cosmetic that has been tested on animals on or after the Rule come into effect.

Thus, as per the amendment, the Rule 135B prohibits import of cosmetics that have been tested on animals on or after November 12, 2014. Therefore, the cosmetics that have been tested on animals before the said date are not covered under Rule 135B and are allowed to be imported into the country. However, to ensure that such cosmetics have not been tested in animals on or after November 12, 2014, the importer shall submit an undertaking from the manufacturer to the port officer at the time of clearance of the consignment stating that the cosmetic has not been tested on animals on 12.11.2014 or after the date.

(Dr. G.N. Singh) Drugs Controller General (India)

To,

1. All Port/Zonal/Sub-Zonal offices of CDSCO.

2. Indian Beauty and Hygiene Association, Mumbai

3. Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, New Delhi.

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