

# RUCO

REPURPOSE USED COOKING OIL

Food Business Operators (FBOs) often use the same cooking oil for repeated rounds of frying, which is harmful to health due to formation total polar compounds (TPC). Often Used Cooking Oil (UCO) is disposed of in an environmentally hazardous manner choking drains and sewerage systems. The Repurpose Used Cooking Oil (RUCO) initiative has been launched to create an ecosystem to collect and convert UCO into biodiesel to protect the health of the people and the planet. UCO may also be converted into other products such as soap etc.

## Features

### 1 Education

 Guidance note


 SOPs for safe handling & disposal of UCO by FBOs

 Tips for consumers

 Educational material


### 2 Enforcement

 Notified regulations that limit TPC to max 25%

 Order to maintain UCO disposal records in FBOs where consumption is greater than 50 litres/day

### 3 Ecosystem

 Ecosystem of aggregators to collect UCO and convert into biodiesel

 Database of biodiesel plant manufactures

 Website for information

## Stakeholders

Food Safety Department of States/UTs

Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas

Pollution Conservation Research Association

Food Business Operators

Oil Marketing Companies

Biodiesel Manufacturers

Biodiesel/Biofuel Boards

Biodiesel Association of India



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