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## **CDPH Warns Consumers Not to Eat Certain Sugar Candies Imported from India**

SACRAMENTO – Dr. Ron Chapman, director of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and state public health officer, today warned consumers not to eat four types of candy imported from India. This warning comes after CDPH testing found unacceptable levels of lead. The candies are:

- Jyoti Indian Sweets Bonbons Indiens Sugar Rewdi
- Hans Sugar Rewari
- Punjab Bazaar Rewari Gur Jaggery
- Punjab Bazaar Sweet Rewdi

Consumers in possession of any of these candies should discard them immediately.

Recent analysis by CDPH determined that Jyoti Indian Sweets Bonbons Indiens Sugar Rewdi candy contained as much as 0.13 parts per million (ppm) of lead. Hans Sugar Rewari candy contained as much as 0.33 ppm. Punjab Bazaar Rewari Gur Jaggery and Punjab Bazaar Sweet Rewdi candies contained as much as 0.69 and 0.31 ppm, respectively. California considers candies with lead levels in excess of 0.10 ppm to be contaminated.

- Jyoti Indian Sweets Bonbons Indiens Sugar Rewdi is sold in a 1kg (2.2 lbs.) clear plastic package. The label is primarily white with blue, yellow, orange and red. The words “Jyoti Indian Sweets Bonbons Indiens Sugar Rewdi” are at the top of the label. This candy is imported and distributed by Moonstone and Lopia Trading Company (aka SLB Global, Inc.) in Artesia, CA. [Here is a photo of the product.](#)
- Hans Sugar Rewari candy is packaged in a one-pound, clear package. The label is mostly red, orange and yellow, and has an illustration of a swan. The label says “HANS” and “Sugar Rewari”. It is imported and distributed by Thal Golden Spices Inc. in Hayward, CA. [Here is a photo of the product.](#)
- Punjab Bazaar Rewari Gur Jaggery candy is sold in a 1kg (2.2 lbs.), clear plastic package with a blue label. The candy is visible through the packaging. The brand name “Punjab Bazaar” is at the top of the label, which says “Rewari Gur Jaggery Candy” in the center. [Here is a photo of the product.](#)

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- Punjab Bazaar Sweet Rewdi candy is sold in a 14 oz., clear plastic package. The candy is visible through the packaging. The label is predominantly white, with a red border surrounding the label. The brand name “Punjab Bazaar” is at the top of the label, which says “Sweet Rewdi” in the center. The label also shows a “lion-like” creature. Punjab Bazaar Rewari Gur Jaggery and Punjab Bazaar Sweet Rewdi candies are imported and distributed by Punjab Bazaar in Yuba City, CA. [Here is a photo of the product.](#)

All of these candies are flat, light brown, oval-shaped and contain seeds.

The distributors are working with CDPH to ensure the contaminated candies are removed from the marketplace. Consumers who find any of these candies for sale are encouraged to call the CDPH Complaint Hotline at 1-800-495-3232.

Pregnant women and parents of children who may have consumed this candy should consult their physician or health care provider to determine if medical testing is needed.

For more information about lead poisoning, contact your county childhood lead poisoning prevention program or public health department. Additional information is available on the [CDPH Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Web page](#).

