Summary of Indian Standard IS 4941 - Specification for Extracted Honey

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Summary: Honey that has been removed from the honeycomb and processed, without any additional substances are referred as extracted Honey. This Indian Standard IS 4941 - Specification for Extracted Honey outlines the requirements, testing methods, and standards for honey in India, including grading, sampling, testing for various properties (such as moisture, reducing sugars, acidity and hydroxymethylfurfural (HMF) levels), and packaging and labelling conditions. Honey is classified into three grades in this Standard, they are Special, Grade A, and Standard. Various methods like oven drying, refractometer method and spectrophotometry are prescribed for testing. As far as packing and labelling is concerned, Honey must be packed in clean, non-reactive containers like glass or polyethylene with proper labeling, including the name, batch, date of packing, and net weight.