NOTIFICATION

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** India  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Genetically modified or engineered food |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[ ]****Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Draft Food Safety and Standards (Genetically Modified or Engineered Foods) Regulations, 2021.**Language(s):** English and Hindi. **Number of pages:** 17  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/IND/21_7567_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Draft Food Safety and Standards (Genetically Modified or Engineered Foods) Regulations, 2021 is applicable to Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) or Genetically Engineered Organisms (GEOs) or Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) intended for direct use as food or for processing and Food or Processed food containing Genetically Modified ingredients produced from but not containing LMOs or GEOs or GMOs. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ]****Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[****X]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ]****Yes [ ]****No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** F.No. 1/Standards/GM Food regulation/FSSAI/2018, available in English: <https://www.fssai.gov.in/notifications.php?notification=wto-sps-notification> |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be decided.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be decided. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 4 February 2022  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Mr. P. Karthikeyan  Deputy Director  SPS Enquiry Point  Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)  FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road  New Delhi - 110002, India  Tel: +(011) 2323 1681  Fax: +(011) 2322 0994  E-mail: spstbt.enqpt@fssai.gov.in  Website: <http://www.fssai.gov.in/> |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Website of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, <http://www.fssai.gov.in>.  Mr. P. Karthikeyan  Deputy Director  SPS Enquiry Point  Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)  FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road  New Delhi - 110002, India  Tel: +(011) 2323 1681  Fax: +(011) 2322 0994  E-mail: spstbt.enqpt@fssai.gov.in  Website: <http://www.fssai.gov.in/> |