NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** India  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Shri Samir Kumar Biswas  Additional Secretary, Room No-341, A Wing, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Telephone No. 011-23383428  Fax: 011-23073682 Email: [samir.biswas@gov.in](mailto:samir.biswas@gov.in)  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:** |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****],** **5.7.1 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Coconut Fatty Acids (HS Code 38231900); Fatty acids, industrial, monocarboxylic; acid oils from refining (excl. stearic acid, oleic acid and tall oil fatty acids) (HS 382319) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Coconut Fatty Acids (Quality Control) Order, 2021 (1 page, in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Coconut Fatty Acids are produced by the hydrolysis of Coconut Oil. Coconut Fatty Acids comprise of about 90% saturated fatty acids. The main fatty acids are Lauric Acid, which constitutes about 50% of total fatty acids obtained from coconut oil. Coconut Fatty Acids are used in the manufacture of Soaps and their derivatives like coco diethanol amide and coco mono ethanolamide. The large quantity usage and imports of Fatty acids and possible health impact of low purity. So, for protection of human health and environment, the standard of Coconut Fatty Acids needs to be made mandatory. The locally manufactured or imported Coconut Fatty Acids shall conform to the Indian standard (IS 12069:1987) and shall bear the standard mark under license from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) as per Scheme-I of Schedule-II of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018. The use of the standard marks is governed by the provisions of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act 2016 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. Bureau of Indian Standards shall be the certifying and enforcing authority. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** The standard of Coconut Fatty Acids is being made mandatory to protect human health and the overall ecosystem. Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** Quality Control Order for making Indian Standard of Coconut Fatty Acids specification (IS 12069:1987), as mandatory is enclosed. |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** Yet to be decided  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 6 months from adoption |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification; |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [** **]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Shri Samir Kumar Biswas  Additional Secretary, Room No-341 , A Wing, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Telephone No. 011-23383428  Fax: 011-23073682 Email: [samir.biswas@gov.in](mailto:samir.biswas@gov.in)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/TBT/IND/21_7157_00_e.pdf> |