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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>INDIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India
<b>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):</b> Pork Meat and Pork Meat Products thereof
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Veterinary Health Certificate for Import of Pork and Pork Products into India (Applicable for all Categories of Processed and Un-Processed Pork and Pork Products). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 7 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/IND/26_01171_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/IND/26_01171_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The measures are intended to ensure appropriate product standards, processing, sanitary measures relating to health status of source animals in line with extant World Organisation for Animal Health recommendations on animal health; to ensure the food safety and to safeguard the country's biosecurity, in a manner consistent with the SPS Agreement.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Volume I, Chapter 6.2, Chapter 6.3, Chapter 6.9 and Chapter 6.14. <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Available on the website of Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, <a href="https://www.dahd.gov.in/sites/default/files/2026-02/DraftVHCforImportofPorkandPorkProducts6-2-2026.pdf">https://www.dahd.gov.in/sites/default/files/2026-02/DraftVHCforImportofPorkandPorkProducts6-2-2026.pdf</a> (available in English)</p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.  <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 28 April 2026  <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>  Ms. Varsha Joshi, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, Room No. 240, Krishi Bhawan, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001; Fax: +(91 11) 2338 4509; E-mail: <a href="mailto:jsdairy-ahd@gov.in">jsdairy-ahd@gov.in</a></p>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>  Ms. Varsha Joshi, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, Room No. 240, Krishi Bhawan, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001; Fax: +(91 11) 2338 4509; E-mail: <a href="mailto:jsdairy-ahd@gov.in">jsdairy-ahd@gov.in</a></p>