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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>INDIA</u> 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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> 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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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/
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