



19 July 2022

(22-5477)

Page: 1/2

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEPAL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Food Technology and Quality Control, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, Kathmandu, Nepal
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): Fruits, vegetables, fruit juice, canned fruits and vegetables, cereal grains, infant food, fish and meat, dairy products, vegetable fat spread, fats and oil, sea food, eggs, cocoa products, favored ice popsicles
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: Proposed maximum limit of heavy metal in food. Language(s): Nepali. Number of pages: 21 http://www.spsenquiry.gov.np/english/notificationdetail/13/2022/92959846 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/NPL/22_4609_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: The Department of Food Technology and Quality Control under the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development of Nepal has proposed the maximum limit of heavy metals in different food and food products to protect consumer health and ensure fair trade.
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXS 193-1995 <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 type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" 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:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): After publication in the Nepal Gazette. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): After publication in the Nepal Gazette. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 September 2022</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mr Mohan Krishna Maharjan Senior Food Research Officer SPS Enquiry Point Department of Food Technology and Quality Control Kathmandu, Nepal E-mail: info.dftqc@spsenquiry.gov.np mkmaharjan@gmail.com</p> <p>Ms Radha Devi Sharma Food Research Officer National SPS Notification Authority Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development E-mail: internationaltrade.moad@gmail.com sharmadraddha@gmail.com</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mr Mohan Krishna Maharjan Senior Food Research Officer SPS Enquiry Point Department of Food Technology and Quality Control Kathmandu, Nepal E-mail: info.dftqc@spsenquiry.gov.np mkmaharjan@gmail.com</p>