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PFA Rule Relating to Nutritional Labeling of Packaged Food Implemented

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Report Highlights:

On March 19, 2009, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India (GOI) implemented official Gazette notification S.No. 664(E), dated September 19, 2008, regarding the nutritional labeling of packaged foods. The notification was notified to the WTO on January 27, 2009.

General Information:

Introduction: On March 19, 2009, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) implemented an official Gazette notification dated September 19, 2008 on the nutritional labeling of packaged food (Prevention of Food Adulteration, 5th Amendment Rules, 2008).

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Type of Regulation: Final Notification Implemented on March 19, 2009.

Details on the final Gazette notification No. G.S.R. 664(E), dated September 19, 2008:

- **Publication Date:** September 19, 2008
- **WTO Notification Date:** January 27, 2009
- **Products Affected:** All Pre-Packaged food imported or domestically produced

Agency in Charge: Department of Health, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India

NOTIFICATION

The text of the notification can also be accessed at: <http://www.mohfw.nic.in/Noti%20664.pdf>

Please see IN8119 for the complete text of the original regulation, S.No. 664(E), dated September 19, 2008. Additionally, a corrigendum to the September 19, 2008 notification was issued by the Ministry on February 27, 2009. The details of this corrigendum can be found in IN9033. The Ministry of Health notified the nutritional labeling of packaged food (Prevention of Food Adulteration, 5th Amendment Rules, 2008) notification to the WTO on January 27, 2009 (G/SPS/N/IND/59).

The full text version of the PFA Act and Rules can be accessed from: <http://mohfw.nic.in/pfa%20acts%20and%20rules.pdf>

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