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WTO Notified - Draft Regulations for Organic Foods

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Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and
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Special Certification - Organic/Kosher/Halal

Dairy and Products

Fresh Fruit

Beverages

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Report Highlights:

On May 4, 2017, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India notified WTO members of the draft Food Safety and Standards (Organic Foods) Regulations, 2017. Objections, comments, or suggestions by the WTO member countries must be submitted within 60 days from the date of notification.

General Information:

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On March 31, 2017, GOI's Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) published the [draft Food Safety and Standards \(Organic Foods\) Regulations, 2017](#). On May 4, 2017, the same has been notified to the WTO members. The comment period for trading partners expires on July 3, 2017. (For more information refer to GAIN: [IN7047](#))

The full text of the [FSSAI notification](#) is available on FSSAI's website: <http://www.fssai.gov.in/>.

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Date of Implementation: To be determined

WTO Notification Number: G/SPS/N/IND/178.

WTO Notification Date: May 4, 2017

Final date for comments: July 3, 2017

Products Affected: All certified organic food and beverages.

Agency in Charge: Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, GOI