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WTO Notified- Draft Amendment on Standards for Fruits and Vegetables

Report Categories:

Fresh Fruit

Vegetables

Sanitary/Phytosanitary/Food Safety

FAIRS Subject Report

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Report Highlights:

On January 19, 2016, India notified a draft regulation related to standards for fruits and vegetables to the World Trade Organization (WTO). The comment period for trading partners expires on March 19, 2016.

General Information:

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On August 1, 2011, GOI's Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) published the [Food Safety and Standards \(Food Products Standards and Food Additives\) Regulations, 2011](#). On January 19, 2016, an amended draft regulation was notified to the WTO pertaining to Regulation 2.3 for fruits and vegetables, and Regulation 2.3.3 pertaining to thermally processed vegetables. The comment period for trading partners expires on March 19, 2016.

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

Comments should be sent to:

The Chief Executive Officer
Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
3rd Floor, Food and Drug Administration Bhawan, Kotla Road
New Delhi – 110002
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Type of Regulation: Draft

Publication date on the FSSAI website: August 1, 2011

Date of Implementation: To be determined

WTO Notification Number: TBD--last update is on fish products notification of January 4, 2016.

WTO Notification Date: January 19, 2016

Final date for comments: March 19, 2016

Products Affected: Fruits and Vegetables and Thermally Treated Vegetables

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