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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>BANGLADESH</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Bangladesh Food Safety Authority
- 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): Food products
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners

[] Specific regions or countries:

- 5. Title of the notified document: Draft Food Safety (Chemical Contaminants and Toxins) Regulation, 2023. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 16
- 6. Description of content: Food and feed contamination can potentially jeopardize human and/or animal well-being and may also adversely affect the overall quality of the food or feed. There are multiple factors and mechanisms through which food and feed can become contaminated. This draft Food Safety (Chemical Contaminants and Toxins) Regulation 2023 has been formulated for controlling use of contaminants in food and feed. This regulation contains maximum levels of contaminants and toxins (heavy metals, radionuclides, nitrates, PCBs, Dioxin, mycotoxins and other toxin) in food and feed. It consists of seven schedules which contain name of the contaminants, name of the article of food and maximum levels for that particular food articles. In order to establish maximum levels of chemical contaminants and toxins in relation to the manufacturing, handling, importation, promotion, or distribution of any food item not specified in the most recent version of Codex CXS 193-1995 or an internationally acknowledged standard.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CODEX Standard CXS 193-1995
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (*e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number*):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No

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	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): 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 <i>(dd/mm/yy)</i> : They shall come into force after six month from 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 (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): 12 September 2023
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