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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>INDIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
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 items including Processed Food items.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners exporting products mentioned under item 3 to India
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: The Prevention of Food Adulteration (First Amendment) Rules, 2006. Notification no. G.S.R. 8(E) - 6 January 2006 (Available in English and Hindi, 79 pages).
6.	Description of content: Through the Prevention of Food Adulteration (PFA) (First Amendment) Rules, 2006 the existing Appendix B relating to Rule 5 of the PFA have been enlarged by specifying the definitions and standards of quality with respect to Spices and Condiments.
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.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: Codex standards and guide lines, wherever exist have been considered.
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The Gazette of India Extraordinary PART II – Section 3 – Sub-Section (i), dated 9 January 2006 (Available in English and Hindi).
10.	Proposed date of adoption: Already in force.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: Already in force.

12. Final date for comments: No comment period has been given as Codex and other relevant standards have been considered with respect to the amendment.

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National notification authority, [] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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13. Texts available from: [X] National notification authority, [] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

Website of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, <http://www.mohfw.nic.in/pfa.htm>

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