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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

- 1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>INDIA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Vegetarian Food as defined under Notification no. G.S.R 908(E) dated 20 December 2001.
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Prevention of Food Adulteration (9 Amendment) Rules 2001 (3 pages, in Hindi and English)
- **6. Description of content:** Labelling provisions on packed Vegetarian Food.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To provide correct information to consumers about the nature of food being purchased by them for consumption.
- 8. Relevant documents:
 - 1. Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954;
 - 2. Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955;
 - 3. Prevention of Food Adulteration (9 Amendment) Rules, 2001 as notified vide Notification no. G.S.R 908(E) dated 20 December 2001.
- Proposed date of adoption: 20 December 2001
 Proposed date of entry into force: 20 June 2002
- 10. Final date for comments: Measure being notified to WTO was first published in the draft form vide Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Notification no. G.S.R 358(E) dated 16 May 2001 inviting objections and suggestions within 30 days from the date the copies of draft Notification were made available to the public i.e. 17 May 2001. The measure under Notification before the WTO is the final notification framed after considering the objections and suggestions received from the public. This is being enforced with effect from 20 June 2001. This notification is being made to acquaint Members with the regulation already in force.

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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