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Report Highlights:

On November 9, 2020, the Government of India (GOI) notified to the World Trade Organization (WTO) a draft regulation for new and revised standards for raw edible oil, multi-source edible vegetable oil, dehydrated vegetables, protein rich Atta (i.e., whole meal wheat flour), honey, animal feed requirements, food additives and microbiological standards for food grain, among others. The WTO notification number is G/TBT/N/IND/174 and the comment period deadline is January 7, 2021.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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The Indian government's Food Safety and Standards Authority of India amended the [Food Safety and Standards \(Food Product Standards and Food Additives\) Regulations, 2011](#), to introduce new standards and modify existing standards for a variety of food products including raw edible oil, multi-source edible vegetable oil, dehydrated vegetables, protein rich *Atta* (i.e., finely ground whole meal wheat flour), multigrain *atta*, mixed millet flour, honey, animal feed requirements, dry sweet basil leaves, hemp seed, food additives used in iced tea, and food grain microbiological standards. On November 9, 2020, India notified this draft amendment to the WTO for comment ([WTO Notification Number G/TBT/N/IND/174](#)). The deadline to provide comments is January 7, 2021, 60-days from the WTO notification date.

The full text of the notification is available on the FSSAI's website located at:
https://www.fssai.gov.in/upload/uploadfiles/files/Draft_Notification_Oil_Atta_Flour_Grain_28_10_2020.pdf

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
Email: spstbt.enqpt@fssai.gov.in

Details of Draft Regulation:

Publication date on the FSSAI Website: October 28, 2020

Date of Implementation: To be determined

WTO Notification Number: G/TBT/N/IND/174

WTO Notification Date: November 9, 2020

Final date for Comments: January 7, 2021 (60-days from the date notified to the WTO)

Products Affected: Raw edible oil, multi-source edible vegetable oil, dehydrated vegetables, protein rich *Atta*, multigrain *Atta*, mixed millet flour, honey, animal feed, dry sweet basil leaves, hemp seed, iced tea, and food grains.

Attachments:

No Attachments.