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WTO Notified Draft Standards for Phytosterols

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Dairy and Products

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Food Processing Ingredients

Honey

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Report Highlights:

On September 15, 2015, India notified to the World Trade Organization (WTO) draft regulations which establish limits for phytosterol in certain food products. The deadline to provide comments is November 14, 2015.

General Information:

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The GOI's Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) amended the [Food Safety and Standards \(Food Products Standards and Additives\) Regulations, 2011](#), and the [Food Safety and Standards \(Packaging and Labeling\) Regulations, 2011](#), to establish permissible limits and labeling requirements for phytosterol as a food ingredient in certain foods. On September 15, 2015, India notified these draft regulations to the WTO for comment (WTO Notification Number: G/SPS/N/IND/117). The deadline to provide comments is November 14, 2015.

For more details on the draft regulation, please refer to GAIN report [IN5118](#). The full text of the notification is available online at <http://www.fssai.gov.in/> or on the [WTO](#) website.

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Final details on the draft regulation:

Publication date on the FSSAI website: August 27, 2015

Date of Implementation: To be determined

WTO Notification Number: G/SPS/N/IND/117

WTO Notification Date: September 15, 2015

Final Date for Comments: November 14, 2015

Products Affected: Yellow fat spreads, milk products, milk based fruit drinks, fermented milk products, cheeses, salad dressings, juices and nectars, edible oils, and baked products such as breads.