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Report Name: FSSAI Defers Compliance Timeline for Health Certificate Requirements for Imports of Milk - Pork - Fish Products Until Further Notice

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Report Highlights:

On February 24, 2023, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare/Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) issued an order pertaining to FSSAI Order TIC-20012/2021-IMPORTS-FSSAI (E2475), extending the compliance date for a third time for Imports of Milk, Pork, and Fish Products. The new FSSAI order states that the compliance date is extended indefinitely until further notice as a result of representations received from various countries and stakeholders.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

On February 24, 2023, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare/Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) issued an order pertaining to FSSAI Order **TIC-20012/2021-IMPORTS-FSSAI (E2475)**, extending the compliance date for a third time for the imports of milk, pork, and fish products. The new FSSAI order states that the compliance date is extended indefinitely until further notice as a result of representations made from various countries and stakeholders. The previous effective compliance date had been set for March 1, 2023.

Background:

For additional background on the FSSAI measure, see:

GAIN-INDIA | IN2022-0069 | India's FSSAI Issues Notification Requiring Health Certificate to Accompany Imports of Milk and Milk Products–Pork and Pork Products–Fish and Fish Products;

GAIN-INDIA | IN2022-0082 | India's FSSAI Issues Clarification Notice on its Requirement that Health Certificates Accompany Imports of Milk and Milk Products - Pork and Pork Products -Fish and Fish Products

<u>GAIN-INDIA | IN2022-0096 | India's FSSAI Extends Compliance Timeline for its Health</u> <u>Certificate Requirements for Imports of Milk and Milk Products - Pork and Pork Products - Fish</u> <u>and Fish Products</u>

GAIN-INDIA | IN2023-0002 | FSSAI Publishes List of HS Food Product Codes Requiring Health Certificate

GAIN-INDIA | IN2023-0006 | India's FSSAI Has a Reality Check and Extends the Compliance Timeline for Health Certificate Requirements for Imports of Milk and Pork and Fish Products

The full text of the FSSAI order is accessible on the FSSAI website located at: https://fssai.gov.in/upload/advisories/2023/02/63f87d4359e13Extension_order.pdf

APPENDIX 1: FSSAI ORDER TIC-20012/2/2021-IMPORTS-FSSAI (E-2475)- THIRD EXTENSION OF COMPLIANCE TIMELINE TOWARDS REQUIREMENT OF HEALTH CERTIFICATE

F. No. 1829/Health Certificate/FSSAI/Imports-2021 Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) (A Statutory Authority established under Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006) (Import Division) FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi- 110002 Dated 24th February, 2023 Order Subject: - Extension of Requirement of Health Certificate to be accompanied with the import of food consignments-reg. In continuation to Order no. 1829/Health Certificate/FSSAI/Imports-2021 dated 3rd August, 2022 and subsequent extension Order vide no.TIC-20012/2021-IMPORTS-FSSAI (E 2475) dated 10th January, 2023, this office is in receipt of representations from various countries and other stakeholders. Considering these representations, the date of implementation of the said order is extended till further Order. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority. 24.02.2023

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Attachments:

No Attachments.