NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Sri Lanka  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Food Control Administration Unit |
| **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):** Bottled or packaged natural mineral water and bottled or packaged drinking water |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X] All trading partners**  **[ ]** **Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Draft Food (Bottled or Packaged Water) Regulations - 2018. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 23  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/LKA/19_0082_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:**  These standards apply for:   * bottled or packaged natural mineral water; and * bottled or packaged drinking water.   The regulations set out the following requirements for bottled or packaged natural mineral water and bottled or packaged drinking water:   * No person shall: * obtain water from any source unless such source has been registered with the Chief Food Authority; * use any premises for bottle or package natural mineral water or drinking water unless such premises have been registered with the Chief Food Authority; and * import bottled or packaged natural mineral water or drinking water, without obtaining a Certificate of Registration on that behalf from the Chief Food Authority,   provided however that in the case of imported bottled or packaged natural mineral water or drinking water a health certificate shall be obtained from the Competent Authority in charge of food safety of the country of export;   * No person shall expose for sale, sell, distribute, transport or advertise any bottled or packaged natural mineral water or drinking water unless such product: * has been duly registered with the Chief Food Authority; and * complies with the provisions of these regulations. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X] food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[****X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**CODEX STAN 227-2001, CODEX STAN 108-1981, CODEX STAN 1-1985, CODEX STAN 234-1999  **[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X] Yes [ ]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****X] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 8 March 2019  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  National Notification Authority:  Dr Anil Jasinghe  Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine  No. 385, Rev. Baddegama Wimalawansa Thero Mawatha  Colombo 10  Tel: +(94 11) 269 4860  Mobile: +(94 77) 738 3758  Fax: +(94 11) 269 3869  E-mail: dghs@health.gov.lk  Website: <http://www.health.gov.lk> |
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