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Action Plan for the Implementation of the SPS Agreement

The Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia has submitted the following Action Plan for the Implementation of the SPS Agreement by Cambodia, with the request that it be circulated to the Working Party.

Action Plan on SPS Agreement

Year	Steps/ Measures/ Activities	Technical Assistance (Provided) or Sought
2001	<p>Current Development and On-going Programmes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sub-decree No. 54 dated 22 September 1997 on the delegation of responsibilities among other tasks to ensure product quality and safety including food products. - Prakas No. 12 dated 13 January 1998 on the Appointment of the role of ensuring food safety including food control at the import-export level and related frauds. - Prakas No. 329 MOC/M99 on pre-packed food labeling. - Sub-decree No. 5 dated 3 February 1998 on the establishment of the Inter-ministerial Committee for coordinating the control of quality and safety of products and services. - Law on the Management of Quality and Safety of Products and Services (promulgated by Reach Kram No. NS/RKM/0600/001 dated 21 June 2000). - Sub-decree No. 28 dated 9 March 2001 on the establishment of the National Codex Committee (NCC) and its Secretariat. - Prakas No. 357/MOC dated 31 December 2001 on the establishment of the Technical Working Groups (TWG) for the National Codex Committee. - Improve understanding of WTO rules and SPS agreement jointly in the inter ministerial committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Food Safety Law and regulations (FAO, France, New Zealand) - Food Standards (FAO) - UNCTAD Assistance in the preparation of the ACC/4 and ACC/8
2002 On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthening the works of Codex by means of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) holding regular meetings of the NCC and TWGs; (ii) establishing Codex Unit in every ministry concerned to provide effective inputs and proactive participation to the Codex works; and (iii) developing and updating the Codex Library. - Improvement of the operation of the chemical and microbiological food analysis laboratory at Camcontrol Department. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (EU)

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	<p><u>Activities to be developed</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revise the existing regulations Sub-decree No. 14 (1988) on Animal Sanitary and Sub-decree No. 98 (1983) on Phytosanitary to ensure compliance with the SPS Agreement. - Circulating the revised draft Sub-decrees No. 14 and 98 for MAFF to review. - Training needs assessment on management and implementation of SPS Agreement. - Set up information system and database management. - Design plant pest and animal disease surveillance and control program. - Design pest and disease control program. - Establishment of plant pest and FMD free zone. - Establishing Plant and Animal Quarantine Station. - Training on risk analysis. - Implementing specific technical training programs in SPS in particular: (1) Plant Quarantine Measures; (2) Animal Quarantine Measures; (3) Laboratory Diagnostic and Product Testing; (4) Plant and Animal Quarantine. - Adopt revised sub-decrees on SPS (Plant and Animal Quarantine). - Implementing the Plant and Animal Quarantine Measures. - Plant and Animal Product Inspection. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law drafting expert specializing in WTO/SPS rules. - Experts on animal quarantine and plant quarantine. - ST or LT training programs, and overseas familiarization missions. - UNCTAD Assistance in answering the questions and the preparation of the Action Plan on SPS
2003	<p><u>Activities to be developed</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishment of SPS Inquiry Point. - Proficiency testing for food microbiological and hygiene towards MRA'S in the region. - Drafting a Sub-decree on Food Hygiene including storage requirement and microbiological requirement. - Drafting a Sub-decree on Food Labeling "Safety Requirement". - Drafting a Sub-decree on Food Safety Standards on Additives (Sweeteners, Colors, Flavours, Preservatives and Antioxidants). - Drafting a Sub-decree on Imported Food Inspection Procedures. - Drafting a Sub-decree on Import Control Procedures of Food including Pre-Registration and Export Certification requirements, if necessary. - Drafting of official method of analysis and sampling (to be passed by the Council of Ministers.). - Drafting a Sub-decree on Food Safety Standards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (EU) - Expert on Inquiry Point - Expert on chemical analysis of food products. - Expert on microbiological analysis of food product - Law enforcement experts - Technical and legal experts on food products and food standards. - Expert on Food Import Control. - Expert on seafood quality assurance. - Lab equipments. - ST or LT training programs, need and overseas familiarization

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> on Environmental Contaminants. - Drafting a Sub-decree on Food Safety Standards on Agricultural Chemicals: Pesticide Residues. - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirements for Fresh Vegetables and Processed Vegetables. - Drafting regulation on Safety Requirements for Fresh Fruits and Processed Fruits. - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirements for Cereals Pulses and Legumes. - Drafting Guidelines on Assurance of Seafood Quality. - Proficiency testing for food chemical analysis toward MRA'S in the region. - Capacity building for key Camcontrol, NCC, and TWGs personnel on the implementation of the above regulations. - Updating the Codex Library, and Codex Librarian. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> missions.
	<p><u>Activities to be developed</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development and implementation of control program of drug stores and pharmaceutical import/export establishments. - Reforming pharmaceutical product registrations and allowing import of pharmaceutical products by only registered establishments. - Drafting registration procedures and implementation of registration for cosmetic products. - Capacity building for MoH personnel. - Capacity building for key MAFF personnel on the implementation of the above regulations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Law drafting expert specializing on cosmetic registration. - Expert on laboratory for pharmaceutical analysis. - ST or LT training programs, and overseas familiarization missions.
2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirements for Drinking Water and Natural Mineral Water. - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirements for Edible Ice. - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirements for Sugar. - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirements for Fat and Oil. - Drafting Guidelines for Food Products Certification (for export). - Capacity building for key Camcontrol, NCC, and TWGs personnel on the implementation of the above regulations. - Updating the Codex Library. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert on chemical analysis of food products. - Expert on microbiological analysis of food product. - Technical and legal experts on food products and food standards. - Expert on food product certification (for export) Scheme. - ST or LT training programs, need and overseas familiarization missions.

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2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drafting Regulations for Nutrition and Food for Special Dietary Uses. - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirements for Fresh Milk and Processed Milk Products. - Drafting Regulations on Safety Requirement for Frozen Food. - Capacity building for key Camcontrol, NCC, and TWGs personnel on the implementation of the above regulations. - Updating the Codex Library. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert on chemical analysis of food products. - Expert on microbiological analysis of food products. - Expert on law enforcement. - Technical and legal experts on food products and food standards. - ST or LT training programs, need and overseas familiarization missions.
2006/ 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Readjustment of technical regulations, standards and procedures in accordance with new scientific discoveries and approaches. - Working toward accreditation of inspection bodies and testing laboratories. - Capacity building for key Camcontrol, NCC, and TWGs personnel on the implementation of the above regulations. - Updating the Codex Library. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert on chemical analysis of food products. - Expert on microbiological analysis of food products. - Law enforcement. - Technical and legal experts on food products and food standards. - ST or LT training programs, need and overseas familiarization missions.

Enquiry point of SPS: Cambodia Import-Export and Fraud Repression Department (CAMCONTROL), Ministry of Commerce.

Notification of authority: Ministry of Commerce with collaboration of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery.

Note:

Developed and Submitted by: Import/Export Inspection and Fraud repression Department (Ministry of Commerce) and/as Secretariat of the National Codex Committee;

the Dept. Animal Health and Production, Dept. Agronomy and Agricultural Land Improvement, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries;

the Ministry of Health.

Description	2002	2003		2004		2005		2006	
		1 st half	2 nd half	1 st half	2 nd half	1 st half	2 nd half	1 st half	2 nd half
Plan for preparation of Legislation and Technical Regulations									
Upgrading the legislation related to SPS of Cambodia									
Law on the Management of Quality and Safety of Product and Service	Passed (June 2000)								
Sub-decree No. 54, 05, 28	Passed (1997, 1998, 2001).								
Sub-decree Animal and Plant Quarantine No. 14, and No. 98	Submit to CM	Expected Approval							
Prakas No. 12, 329, 357, 131	Passed (1998, 1999, 2001, 2002)								
Technical Assistance Requirements									
Technical Experts	in 2001: Food Safety Law and Regulations (FAO, France, New Zealand); Food Standards (FAO); UNCTAD assistance in the preparation of ACC/4 and ACC/8								
Senior Expert	EU/WTO Food Standard, Regulation and Library for Codex; UNCTAD Assistance in Answering the questionnaire and preparation of Action Plan on SPS.	Food Standard, Regulation and Library for Codex;	Food Standard, Regulation and Library for Codex;						
Legal Advisor on SPS	Training Need Assessment	Law Preparation on Cosmetic Registration	SPS Law Preparation						
Advisor	Inquiry point for SPS	Inquiry point for SPS							

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		1 st half	2 nd half	1 st half	2 nd half	1 st half	2 nd half	1 st half	2 nd half
Technical Expert	Plant, Animal and their Products Inspection; Establishment of Plant Pest and FMD Free Zone;	Plant, Animal and their Products Inspection Law enforcement Food import control; Chemical and Microbiological Analysis of Food products; Sea Food Quality Assurance; Laboratory expert for pharmaceutical analysis	Food import control; Chemical and Microbiological Analysis of Food products; Sea Food Quality Assurance; Food Product Certification Scheme (for export)						
Human Capacity Building/ Training	Information and Database Management; Pest and Animal Disease Surveillance and Risk Assessment; Food safety and food standard, and registration;	Consumer Protection and International Trade; Food safety and food standard; Chemical and Microbiological Analysis of Food products; Plant Pest and Animal Disease Diagnostic and Testing;	Consumer Protection and International Trade; Food safety and food standard; Chemical and Microbiological Analysis of Food products; Plant Pest and Animal Disease Diagnostic and Testing;						
Laboratories equipment supply		Laboratory equipment and reagents for food analysis, plant pest and animal microbiological analysis.							
The provision of rapid testing kits for a food quality, plant pest and pathogenic materials assessment.									