

CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations



World Health
Organization

Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy - Tel: (+39) 06 57051 - E-mail: codex@fao.org - www.codexalimentarius.org

Agenda item 6.1

CX/SCH 19/4/7 Add.2
Original Language Only

JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME CODEX COMMITTEE ON SPICES AND CULINARY HERBS

Fourth Session

Thiruvananthapuram, India, 21 - 25 January 2019

PROPOSED DRAFT STANDARD FOR DRIED BASIL Comments at Step 3

Comments of India

India

APPENDIX I

ANNEX I, A: Chemical Properties for Dried Basil

i) Ash %w/w max

COMMENT: Amend "Ash" to "Total Ash" and the limit must be kept at 2% max (instead of 2.5) for all forms such as whole, pieces, rubbed or ground

ANNEX II, A: Physical Properties for Dried Basil

i) Extraneous matter % w/w max

COMMENT: We support the following values:

- Whole / Pieces / [Crushed/rubbed]: 1

- Ground/ powdered: 1

ii) **COMMENT:** To include the following statements in the physical properties:

- The proportion of seeds and broken stems in dried sweet basil shall not exceed 3 % (m/m).

The proportion of yellow or brown leaves in dried sweet basil shall not exceed 5 % (m/m).