

JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR ASIA

*To be held in Istana Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
from Tuesday 17 September at 09.00 hours to Friday 20 September 2002*

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item	Subject Matter	Reference
1.	Adoption of the Agenda	CX/ASIA 02/1
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5.	Proposed Draft Standard for Instant Noodles at Step 4 - Government Comments at Step 3	CX/ASIA 02/5 CX/ASIA 02/5 - Add.1
6.	Consideration of "Traceability/Product Tracing"	CX/ASIA 02/6
7.	Discussion Papers on Functional Foods and Novel Foods - Government Comments	CX/ASIA 02/7 CX/ASIA 02/7 - Add.1
8.	Capacity Building for Food Standards and Regulations	CX/ASIA 02/8
9.	Information and Reports on Foods Control and Food Safety Issues including Codex Standards (CL2002/12-ASIA) - Reports by Member Countries	CX/ASIA 02/9
10.	Consumer Participation in Food Standards Setting at the Codex and National Level (CL2002/12-ASIA) - Reports by Member Countries	Oral reports
11.	Nomination of the Coordinator	CX/ASIA 02/10
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13.	Adoption of the Report	

ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1. Adoption of the Agenda:

In accordance with Rule V.1 of the Rules of Procedure, the first item on the Provisional Agenda shall be the adoption of the Agenda.

Item 2. Matters Arising from the 24th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission and the 49th and 50th Sessions of the Executive Committee:

This item includes matters related to the Region arising from recent sessions of the Commission and its Executive Committee but not covered under other agenda items.

Item 3. Joint FAO/WHO Evaluation of the Codex Alimentarius and Other FAO and WHO Work on Food Standards:

An information paper provided by FAO and WHO on the progress of the Evaluation will be made available to the Coordinating Committee.

Item 4. Consideration of the Draft Medium-Term Plan 2003-2007:

The Commission at its 24th Session agreed that the draft Medium-Term Plan revised by the 50th Session of the Executive Committee would be circulated for the input of Codex Coordinating Committees prior to consideration and finalization at the 26th Session of the Commission.

Item 5. Proposed Draft Standard for Instant Noodles at Step 4:

In response to the proposal from Japan to develop a Codex standard for Instant Noodles, the 23rd Session of Codex Alimentarius Commission decided that Coordinating Committee for Asia should investigate feasibility of making such a standard. The 12th session of Coordinating Committee for Asia agreed to elaborate a standard for Instant Noodles; this was approved as new work by the Executive Committee at its 47th Session. A proposed draft has been prepared by Japan and Indonesia.

Item 6. Consideration of "Traceability/Product Tracing":

This matter has been placed on the Provisional Agenda following the recommendation of the 49th Session of the Executive Committee.

Item 7. Discussion Papers on Functional Foods and Novel Foods:

This matter has been placed on the Provisional Agenda at the request of Malaysia.

Item 8. Capacity Building for Food Standards and Regulations:

A report will be provided on the capacity building programmes for developing countries being undertaken as a follow-up to the Joint Statement made by the Executive Heads of FAO, WHO, OIE, WTO and the World Bank at the Doha Ministerial Conference, November 2001.

Item 9. Information and Reports on Food Control and Food Safety Issues Including Acceptance of Codex Standards:

This is a standing item on the Committee's agenda. There will be written and verbal reports on food control and food safety issues, including matters related to the implementation of HACCP, by Member countries.

Item 10. Consumer Participation in Food Standards Setting at the Codex and National Level:

The Commission at its 23rd Session considered consumers' involvement in the work of the Codex Alimentarius Commission. The Commission proposed that Regional Coordinating Committees continue to take the opportunity to provide a forum for the exchange of experiences on the ways and means of developing consumer input into National Codex Committees and Contact Points.

Item 11. Nomination of the Coordinator:

In accordance with Rule II.4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Codex Alimentarius Commission the Committee is invited to nominate a Coordinator for Asia for appointment by the 26th Session of the Commission

Item 12. Other Business, Future Work and Date and Place of the Next Session:

In accordance with Rule V.5 of the Rules of Procedure, any Member of the Commission may propose the inclusion of specific items of an urgent matter. Proposals to undertake new work on the elaboration of standards and related texts which shall be in compliance with the Medium Term Objectives and is subject to the approval by the Commission or its Executive Committee.

Item 13. Adoption of the Report:

In accordance with Rule VIII.1 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Committee shall adopt the report of its 12th Session, based on a draft provided by the Secretariat.