

# CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION



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### COMMENTS ON REGULAR REVIEW OF CODEX WORK MANAGEMENT: ELECTRONIC WORKING GROUPS

*Comments of India*

#### **INDIA**

##### **General Comments:**

India agrees with recommendations.

##### **Specific Comments:**

India feels that the final comments of a country for the eWG should be submitted through single reference point, rather than individual participants who have registered for an eWG. Online platform should provide for some mechanism to facilitate discussions amongst the experts from a country for finalization of the country view. It will help in avoiding multiplicity of different views/comments from a country.

Further, following difficulties have been faced by members:-

- Online registration:- EWG participants are facing difficulty in online registration.
- Commenting after deadline:- Online platform for EWG commenting doesn't take comments after the deadline. We need to have some flexibility in this respect since in-time submission of comments may not always be possible for certain unavoidable reasons.
- Codex Contact Point should also have the access to online platform for EWG forum in addition to individual registered participants.