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WORK OF CODEX COMMITTEES (FAO/WHO COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR ASIA)

(Comments of India, Kenya, Philippines and Suriname)

India

Part 1 :

1. Regional standard for soybean products fermented with *Bacillus* species (Asia)
2. Regional standard for cooked rice wrapped in plant leaves (Asia)
3. Amendment of the labelling provisions for non-retail containers in the Regional Standards for Fermented Soybean Paste (Asia) (CXS 298R-2009) and Edible Sago Flour (Asia) (CXS 301R-2011), and the Standards for Gochujang (CXS 294-2009) and Chilli Sauce (CXS 306-2011) to align with the General Standard for the Labelling of Non-retail Containers of Foods (CXS 346- 2021)

India supports these works for final adoption.

Part 2 :

1. Regional standard for quick frozen dumpling (Asia)

India supports the standards for adoption at Step 5.

Kenya

FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Asia, FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean, FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for North America and the Southwest Pacific and Work from the FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Near East (CCNE) for adoption by the Commission (CX/CAC 23/46/3, CX/CAC 23/46/4, CX/CAC 23/46/6 and CX/CAC 23/46/15)

Position: Kenya supports the proposals of the standards submitted for consideration by CAC46.

Philippines

I. Final Adoption of Codex Texts

- Regional standard for soybean products fermented with *Bacillus* species (Asia)

The Philippines supports the adoption of the regional standard for soybean products fermented with *Bacillus* species reiterating the PH comment that “Lot acceptance” should also be based on conformance with the proposed component requirement.

- Regional standard for cooked rice wrapped in plant leaves (Asia)

The Philippines supports the adoption of the regional standard for cooked rice wrapped in plant leaves reiterating the PH comment to include “Heavy metals”, in accordance with Codex standard for Rice (CXS 198-1995).

Suriname

- Suriname supports the adoption at Step 8 or 5/8 of:
 - o the regional standard for soybean products fermented with *Bacillus* species
 - o the regional standard for Cooked Rice Wrapped in Plant Leaves
 - o the amendment of the labelling provisions for non-retail containers in the Regional Standards for Fermented Soybean Paste (Asia) (CXS 298R-2009) and Edible Sago Flour (Asia) (CXS 301R-2011), and the Standards for Gochujang (CXS 294-2009) and Chili Sauce (CXS 306-2011) to align with the *General Standard for the Labelling of Non-retail Containers of Foods* (CXS 346-2021)
- Suriname supports the interim adoption at Step 5 of the regional standard for quick frozen dumpling