Electronic Working Group Invitation (EWG Invitation)

Title: Maximum levels for certain mycotoxins in selected spices
Committee: Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods
Session: 14th
Chair of EWG: India
Working Languages: English

Description of work:
The EWG should (i) consider new or additional data available on GEMS/Food; (ii) update the working paper that was last presented at CCCF12 (2018) (CX/CF 18/12/11) and (iii) prepare revised proposals for MLs for total aflatoxins and ochratoxin A in spices i.e. nutmeg, chili and paprika, ginger, pepper and turmeric, respectively, for comments and consideration by CCCF15 (2022) and associated sampling plans taking into account the new and old datasets available on GEMS/Food.

Timetable for work:
The discussion paper should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat for distribution and consideration by not later than 1 March 2022

Email for registration: codex-india@nic.in with copy to sp-spices@fssai.gov.in
Registration deadline: 10 December 2021

EWG online platform: Yes

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this Electronic Working Group.
When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate one as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

- participant's name
- official title or position
- organization or country
- email address

EWG platform
Link: http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php
User-Group name: CCCF15:MLsMCXspices
The platform will require members to login.
New participants to the platform should first register (online guide, video tutorial)
Those participants who have previously registered on the platform can request to join the user-group directly.
The EWG chair will give participants access to the group online once they have verified their credentials so please ensure that you follow the procedure for applications and email the chair through your CCP even if you are already registered on the platform.

Program and timeline
The work programme and timelines will be circulated to members of the EWG soon after its establishment.

We look forward to your participation.
India (Chair)