




# Food Safety Policy Implementation Role and Responsibilities of Key Official stakeholders

Department of Food and Drug Administration  
Ministry of Health and Sports

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- Overall objectives
    - To Protect Consumer Health and interest
      - By means of safe food (farm to table)
  - Other objectives
    - Health Promotion
      - nutrition, fortification
    - Trade facilitation
      - Export, Import, Agreements

# Myanmar Food Authority



# **Farming- Animal Feed (including imported feed)**

- **Ministry:**

- Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation

- **Department:**

- Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department (LBVD)

- **Responsibilities:**

- Regulation of domestic and imported feed

# **Farming- Fish Feed (including imported feed)**

- **Ministry:**

- Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation

- **Department:**

- Department of Fisheries

- **Responsibilities:**

- Regulation of domestic and imported feed and licensing the plant

# Post-Harvest Plant

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
  - Ministry of Health and Sports
- **Department:**
  - Department of Agriculture (DOA)
  - Department of Public Health
  - **Division:** Plant Protection Division (PPD), Horticulture and biotechnology, National nutrition center
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Regulation of Pesticides, National Plant Protection Organisation, Phytosanitary controls on farms, phytosanitary certification for export, regulation of imported plants.
  - food fortification

# Post-Farming Animal Slaughter

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
  - Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department (LBVD)
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Animal health and Welfare, Animal Health Programmes, Zoonosis, Approval of Veterinary Drugs, National Disease Monitoring Programme, National Residue Monitoring Plan.
  - Registration of farmers (rearing animals), **Animal health certifications** and checks, Regulation of imported/export animals.
  - Controls in the meat and dairy sector: ante & post mortem inspection at private animal slaughterhouses.
  - OIE contact point.

# Post-Farming Animal - Slaughter

- **Ministry:**
  - Mayor of Regional Governments, City Development Committees
- **Department:**
  - Veterinary and Slaughter House Department
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Ante & post mortem inspection at government slaughterhouses and livestock wholesale poultry markets. Supervision of YCDC, MCDC, and NCDC slaughter houses. Issue animal slaughter and meat selling licenses.



# Processing/ Manufacturing (Food)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Health and Sports
- **Department:**
  - Food and Drug Administration Department
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Regulate food manufacturing establishments and issue recommendation for manufacturing.

# Processing/ Manufacturing (Domestic food)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
  - Small scale industries department (SSID)
- **Responsibilities:**
  - regulate micro businesses
  - issue license

# Processing/ Processing establishments (Fish)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
  - Department of Fisheries
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Regulate processing establishments (fish processing) , **issue license, approval of establishment for export, implementation of GMP and HACCP system**

# Processing/ Manufacturing (Agriculture, e.g. Mung bean)

- **Ministry:**
  - Semi- Government under Ministry of Commerce
- **Department:**
  - Myanmar Testing and Inspection Service (MITS)
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Inspect manufacturing establishments and report to Plant Protection Division (Dept. of Agriculture/MOALI).

# Processing/ Manufacturing (Agriculture, e.g. Mung Bean)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
- Plant Protection Division/Department of Agriculture, Horticulture and Biotechnology division.
- **Responsibilities:**
- Issue approval for exporters to export Mung Bean (intended for sprouting) to EU

# Processing/ Manufacturing (Agri export products, rice, mango)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
  - Plant Protection Division, Horticulture and Biotechnology division.
- **Responsibilities:**
  - issue CoA by PPD
  - Regulate and inspect manufacturing establishments and issue phytosanitary certificate to issue export certificate by MOC

# Storage (Fish)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
  - Department of Fisheries
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Regulate independent cold storage, warehouses and facilities,
  - Issue license

# Wholesale/ Distribution

- **Ministry:**

- Mayor of Regional Governments: Yangon Region Government, Mandalay Region Government, President office.
- Ministers of Municipal Affairs (S/R)
- **Ministry of Health and Sports**

- **Department:**

- Yangon City Development Committee, Mandalay City Development Committee, Nay pyi taw Development Committee. City Development Committees
- **Department of Public Health, FDA**

- **Responsibilities:**

- Regulate the hygiene of wholesale markets within Yangon, Mandalay and Nay pyi taw cities and state and regions.
- Post-market surveillance activities (jointly with FDA (MOHS) and police (MOHA)



# Retail

- **Ministry:**

- Mayor of Regional Governments: Yangon Region Government, Mandalay Region Government, President office.
- Ministers of Municipal Affairs(S/R)
- Ministry of Health and Sports
- Ministry of Home Affairs

- **Department:**

- Yangon City Development Committee, Mandalay City Development Committee, Nay pyi taw Development Committee. City Development Committees
- Department of Public Health, FDA
- Myanmar Police Force

- **Responsibilities:**

- Regulate the hygiene of retail markets within the cities
- Post-market surveillance activities (jointly with FDA (MOHS) and police (MOHA))

# Restaurant/ Catering

- **Ministry:**

- Mayor of Regional Governments: Yangon Region Government, Mandalay Region Government, President office.
- Ministers of Municipal Affairs (S/R)
- **Ministry of Health and Sports**

- **Department:**

- Yangon City Development Committee, Mandalay City Development Committee, Nay pyi taw Development Committee. City Development Committees
- **Department of Public Health**

- **Responsibilities:**

- Issue license and regulate restaurants within the cities

# Export (Fish)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
  - Department of Fisheries
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Regulate processing establishments and inspection, laboratory testing and issue health certificate for export

# Export (Agricultural primary products)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation
- **Department:**
  - Plant Protection Division, Horticulture and Biotechnology division.
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Issue Food safety certificate
  - Regulate and inspect manufacturing establishments and issue phytosanitary certificate to issue export certificate by MOC (Most of agri products are liberated )

# Food Import (Processed, frozen prepackaged)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Health and Sports
- **Department:**
  - Department of Food and Drug Administration
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Issue import health recommendation and import health certificate

# Food Export (Prepackaged food)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Health and Sports
- **Department:**
  - Department of Food and Drug Administration
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Issue export health recommendation and export health certificate

# Food import/export

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Commerce
- **Department:**
  - Department of Trade
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Issue import/Export license

# Food import/export

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Planning and finance
  - Semi- Government under Ministry of Commerce
- **Department:**
  - Department of Customs
  - Myanmar Inspection and Testing Service (MITS)
- **Responsibilities:**
  - inspect, sampling and approval of import/export jointly with concerning certification bodies.
  - sampling of imported food (all exported agricultural products)



# Processing/ Manufacturing (Domestic food)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Industry
- **Department:**
  - Directorate of Industrial supervision and Inspection (DISI)
- **Responsibilities:**
  - Registering of business.

# Restaurants/catering (Hotel)

- **Ministry:**
  - Ministry of Hotels and tourism
- **Department:**
  - Directorate of hotels and tourism
- **Responsibilities:**
  - license hotels
  - Inspect hotel restaurants/catering services

# Identified overlap and gaps

- Overlap
  - microSME businesses (CDC , SSID, FDA)
  - role of consumer affair department
- Gap
  - Brewing industries
  - wet market (fish, vegetables, wet noodle, etc.)
  - processed fish product (ready to eat)
  - Border area trade (license and non-license)(human resource limited)
  - Illicit Trade
  - Unknown hazards in samples/unknown samples
  - Street foods/ Restaurants
  - Institutions e.g. school canteen, university, hospitals, private boarder, orphanage, meditation centers
  - Uncategorized items not really specified as food e.g. ကွမ်းစားထုံး, ကွမ်းယာ (ဆေးရွက်ကြီးမပါ)

# New Involved stakeholder

- Myanmar Police force (Chemical Experts) (Laboratory services for brewing industries)
- Department of Traditional Medicine (Health Supplements)(Near future current gap)
- Salt, (Department of mines)
- Sugar

# Cutting point

- SSID will do microSMEs (food) safety
  - demercation between SSID and DISI?
- DISI is changing to influential stakeholder from involved stakeholder.
- Street foods in Ygn, Mandalay, NPT → CDC
- Street foods in state and region → CDC+Public health



# Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department (LBVD)

- Control area
  - animal feed production and import
- Measures
  - regulation of domestic and imported feed
- Control Area
  - Animal Slaughter
- Measures
  - animal health and welfare, A. Health programme, zoonosis, approval of veterinary drugs, national disease monitoring programme, national residue monitoring plan
  - animal health certificate
  - regulations of imported animals
  - ante and post mortem inspection of private slaughter house
  - OIE contact point
  - Inspection of meat in market
- Control Area
  - Dairy product (farm level)
- Measures
  - guidelines, training, advocacy



# Department of Fisheries

- Control area
  - Fish feed
- Measures
  - Regulation of domestic and imported feed and licensing the plant
- Control Area
  - Fish- processing establishment, Storage, export (Ready to cook fish) (Ready to eat fish?) (Wet Market fish?)(imported fish) (domestic aquatic product raw? processed?)
- Measures
  - Regulate processing establishment and issue approval
  - regulate cold storage warehouse and facilities
  - issue export certificate



# Department of Agriculture

- Control Area
  - Post Harvest
- Measures
  - pesticide regulation
  - phytosanitary control on farms and certification for export,
  - regulate imported plants
  - Issue GAP certificate
- Control Area
  - Agri product export
- Measures
  - regulate and inspect manufacturing establishments and issue phytosanitary certificate, regulation of pesticides, plant protection organization.
  - issue phytosanitary certificate of export
- Control Area
  - imported fruits?, imported vegetables? imported plant products? GMO product? Domestic unprocessed packaged agri products?





# Small Scale Industry Department

- Control Area
  - microbusiness(food), unprocessed?, processed? prepackaged?
- Measures
  - laboratory services
  - registering business



# FDA

- Control Area
  - Prepackaged domestic food/imported food/export
- Measures
  - regulate food manufacturing establishments
  - IR, IHC, ER, EHC
- Control Area
  - Imported food (prepackaged) (prepackaged fruits and vegies?) (frozen meat? **raw** or semi processed?) Brewing industries ? Salt?
- Measures
  - ?



# Department of Public Health

- Control Area
  - Wholesale/Distribution, Retail
- Measures
  - Post-market surveillance activities (jointly perform)
- Control area
  - Street food? Market? Restaurant, Catering services in state and region, rural area?
- Measures
  - jointly perform with state and regional municipal affair.
- Control area
  - Household food
- Measures
  - Mass education
  - Public health campaign and programmes



# YCDC, MCDC, NCDC

- Control Area
  - Animal Slaughter house
- Measures
  - Ante&post mortem inspection
  - supervision and issue license for slaughter and selling
- Control Area
  - Street food, Restaurant, Catering services, F&B? wet market ?
- Measures
  - Inspection
  - issue license

# State and Regional municipal affairs

- Control area
  - Wholesale/Distribution, Retail
- Measures
  - Post-market surveillance activities (jointly perform)
- Control Area
  - Street food? Market? Restaurant, Catering services in state and region, Hotel F&B
- Measures
  - Jointly perform with department of public health

# Department of Customs

- Control Area
  - Import/Export
  - Border trade? (porous border trade?)
- Measures
  - Physical check, document check, sampling



# Department of Trade

- Control Area
  - Border trade (Porous border trade?)
  - Import/Export
- Measures
  - issue import/export license



# Myanmar Police Force

- Control Area
  - Unknown samples/unknown hazards
  - Food terrorism
  - Special Occasions (National ceremonies and events?)
- Measures
  - Criminal investigation,



# Directorate of hotels and tourism

- Control Area
  - Restaurants from hotels
- Measures
  - Inspect?



# Suggestions and Comments