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**Establishing Maldives Food and Drug Authority**

By the jurisdiction of The President of Maldives, a regulatory body, "Maldives Food and Drug Authority" has been established under the Ministry of Health on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2006.

The purpose of this office is to regulate food and pharmaceutical products by formulating national standards and ensuring safety of such products.

The following reference number shall be used in the official documents:

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Attached herewith is the mandate of the Maldives Food and Drug Authority.

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Executive Secretary of the President of the Maldives

**Approved**

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Date: 12.01.2023

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### **Mandate of the Maldives Food and Drug Authority**

1. Regulate and ensure safety of foodstuff that are imported, produced and exported from the Maldives. This includes ensuring safety and hygiene of imported fruits, vegetables, raw meat and other such products, enforcement of safety standards in food producing factories, food testing laboratories, food storage facilities, food outlets: restaurants, cafés in islands and tourist resorts.
2. Identify and develop facilities for the quality control of food, drugs, chemicals, medical gases, vaccines, other biologicals, medical devices, diagnostics, and radiation emitting devices, and to conduct the necessary medical examinations for the import and export of such goods and provide certification services.
3. Formulate safety standards for food, medicines, pharmaceutical products, medical gas, vaccines, and other biologicals and medical devices and diagnostics and radiation emitting devices and regularly monitor, test and certify import, export and production of such items.
4. Ensure and maintain the quality and safety of medical and diagnostic devices used in the Maldives.
5. Ensure and maintain the quality and safety of imported radiation emitting devices used in the Maldives.
6. Ensure safety and usage of chemicals imported to the Maldives.
7. Establish and maintain testing facilities to monitor zoonotic diseases in the Maldives.
8. Establish a reference Public Health Laboratory in the Maldives.

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