Notice Calling for suggestions, views, comments etc from WTO- SPS Committee members within a period of 30 days on the draft notification related to Standards for Proprietary Food.

In the Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulations, 2011, in regulations 2.12 relating to ‘Proprietary Food’, for the sub-regulations 2.12.1, the following shall be substituted, namely: -

“2.12.1: For the purpose of these regulations, -

1) Proprietary food means an article of food that has not been standardized under these regulations, but does not include any novel food, food for special dietary use, functional food, nutraceutical, health supplement and such other articles of food which the Central Government may notify in this behalf.

2) Proprietary food shall contain only those ingredients other than additives which are either standardised in these Regulations or permitted for use in the preparation of other standardised food under these Regulations.

3) Proprietary food shall use only such additives as specified for the Category to which the food belongs and such category shall be clearly mentioned on the label along with its name, nature and composition.

4) Proprietary food product shall comply with the food additives provisions as prescribed in Appendix A and the microbiological specifications as prescribed in Appendix B of these Regulations and all other Regulations made under this Act.

5) The Food Business Operator shall be fully responsible for the safety of the proprietary food.”