Recent Applications for Trade Facilitation in Turkey

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### Trade Facilitation Strategy

#### Five main pillars

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The Inspection System Before

- Imports & exports had been subject to controls for quality & safety, usually before the customs declaration, manually and on document, on the basis of each shipment.

The new inspection system

- Risk-Based Control System in Foreign Trade (TAREKS), is a web-based software that enables risk-based quality and safety controls at import and export stage.

- For the risk-based control system in foreign trade, a new scoring algorithm has been created with data mining methods and this new forecasting system focused on the unsafe products.
• Risk parameters for product safety controls

• Risk assessment for quality controls for the agricultural products

  – Classification of firms (A, B, C, D) based on their facilities
  – Other parameters (random checks, past performance, complaints, notifications etc.)
• What’s next to facilitate trade in agricultural products?

**USE OF BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGIES**

- As the Ministry of Trade, it is planned to establish an interlaboratory blockchaining system in order to prevent repeated tests and resource wastes performed by different institutions in some products.
- In the very beginning, we’ll start with edible oils.

- Efficient Use of Public Resources
- Prevention of Abuses
- Decrease in costs and time of tests
Regulation on Preparation of Legislation (2005, No 9986)

- Regulations must be open to public consultation

Turkish Food Codex Regulation (2011, No 28157)
For SPS Purposes
Communiqué on Product Safety & Inspection (2019/5)

- Animal and animal products
- Plants and plant products

Pre-Notification
Frequency of Analysis

1- Previous year import inspection results
2- Consumer complaints
3- Results of domestic inspections
4- Notifications - International and other countries
Communiqué of Product Safety and Inspection No. (2019/19)

• "Communiqué on Import Inspection of Tobacco, Tobacco Products, Alcohol and Alcoholic Beverages"

Communiqué of Product Safety and Inspection No. (2019/21)

• "Communiqué on Commercial Quality Inspection on Export and Import for Certain Agricultural Products"
- Agriculture Information System
- Food Safety Information System
- Laboratory Information System
- Plant Protection Registry System
- Plant Passport Registry System
- Animal & A. Products Import Registry System
- E-Quarantine System
Food Safety Information System

- Food&feed establishments
- Inspections
- Samplings
- Analysis results
- Import/Export records
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