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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## **NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: BANGLADESH

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

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Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

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- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Margarine, ICS 67.200.10
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Margarine (Draft for First rev.); (8 page(s), in English)
- **Description of content:** This standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for margarine and margarine spreads for edible purpose. This includes requirements for margarine, margarine spreads and industrial margarine along with their ingredients; guideline for flavour, emulsifiers, colours, antioxidants, food additives and food preservatives used for the product; shelf life, hygienic and legal requirements; and the packaging and marking provision for the product. Various food safety parameters (e.g. trans fatty acids, heavy metals and microbiological limits) have been included. Butter and dairy spreads are not covered by this standard.

## 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:

1. The technical committee reviewed this standard and decided to revise it to meet stakeholder's expectation, market relevance and consumer protection. This revised standard provides requirements for various quality and safety parameters of the product and updated harmonizing current legislations and relevant international and codex standards.

Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements; Harmonization

8. Relevant documents:

BDS CAC 32:2008 Margarine

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** This standard will come into force after 2 (two) months from the date of publication in the official Gazette (SRO).

**Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined This standard will come into force after 2 (two) months from the date of publication in the official Gazette (SRO).

**10.** Final date for comments: 3 February 2025

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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