

FOOD SAFETY WEEK 2009



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Food Safety Week 2009 -Theme

**ENSURING FOOD
SAFETY THROUGH
COMMUNITY
PARTICIPATION**

Food Safety Week 2009

- **WORLD FOOD DAY 16TH OCTOBER 2009**
- **PRGRAMME DATES-**
- **16TH TO 25TH OCTOBER**

Activity - 1

- **Establish a central level Food Safety week Organization Committee.**
 - **Plan activities under the programme.**
 - **Conduct ToT programs,**
 - **Send directives to all provinces and**
 - **provide financial assistances to carryout programmes.**

Media seminar on World Food Safety Week

- **Media seminar will be organized for media personnel.**
- **Date October 13, 2009**

District level workshops for Authorized Officers

- Conduct 6 workshops with the participation of District level officers attached to the RDHS divisions to plan the proposed Food Safety Week programme with the participation of
 - SPHI (D)s,
 - F&DIs,
 - HEOs,
 - REs,
 - RDHSs.

Formation of Food Safety Surveillance Committees at RDHS level.

- **Formation of RDHS level Food Safety Surveillance Units.**
- **Establish 24 such Units through out the island.**
 - **RDHS(chair person of the Committee) other members- RE,MOMCH,F&DI,SPHID, MOH (3 nominated by the committee), SPHII (3 nominated by the committee)**
 - **These Committees should be meet at least quarterly to monitor the Food safety activities conducted within the district.**

Organize Island wide activities

- Inspection of Food Handling Establishments on 20th, 21st & 22nd of October 2009.
 - All the MOOH,SPHII(D),PHII,F&DII,HEOO,REs are required to serve as a team on the above three days.
- Conduct seminars for Food handlers , Consumer Societies.

Island wide visits by central level health staff

- Visit Provincial Health Office under a pre-arrange programme, discuss with PDHS, RDHS, F&DII, SPHIID.
- Observe the activities planned by the staff, conduct evaluations, attend to seminars organized by the field staff.
- Meet relevant Government and Non Governmental officials and Consumer Organizations.

Conduct meetings with Food Importers/Exporters/Manufacturers and device a system to supply quality food products.

- Conduct one day programme for **Importers/Exporters/Manufacturers** with the participation of the Hon. Minister of Health.
- Venue - BMICH

Printing and distribution of Food Regulations in a book format.

- **Food Regulations published in a reference hand book format and distributed to Authorized Officers and other relevant agencies.**

Formation of Risk Assessment of Core Group

- **Establish a mechanism to provide risk assessment advice to the Provincial and Municipality Health Authorities on Food Hygiene.**
 - **Appointment of an Assessment team /committee of experts to provide scientific advice on microbiological risk assessment.**
 - **Assessment team of the Ministry to visit all 9 Provinces and to examine current system and status.**
 - **Develop a master plan based on the findings.**
 - **Establish a mechanism to provide risk assessment advice to the Provincial Health Authorities on Food Hygiene**



In order to make this event a success

- **Form / Activate Consumer Societies and make them aware of their responsibilities with regard to Consumer Rights and Food Safety.**



Thank you

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