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ANALYSIS OF AGENDA ITEMS IN PREPARATION FOR THE 53rd SESSION OF THE CODEX COMMITTEE ON PESTICIDE RESIDUES

4th – 8th and 13th July 2022 | Virtual Meeting

AGENDA ITEM 13

*Establishment of Codex Schedules and Priority Lists of Pesticides for
Evaluation/re-Evaluation by JMPR*

Objectives

This document offers a review and analysis of the agenda items planned for discussion at the 53rd session of the **Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR)**, scheduled to take place virtually July 4th – 8th and 13th, 2022. This document is intended for possible use by the Codex communities of practice, promoted by [GForSS](#) and [PARERA](#), as part of their contribution to enhancing awareness and supporting effective participation in international food standard setting meetings (Codex meetings) by representatives from members and observers.

The analysis provided in this document offers a factual review of agenda items, their background and a discussion of some considerations. This analysis is indicative in nature and does not represent an official position of the organizations mentioned above ([PARERA](#) and [GForSS](#)), their membership or their management. It provides a synthesis and analysis of the work currently under discussion by the CCPR, which may be useful for delegations from Arab countries to prepare their positions taking into account the needs and specificity of the region and the potential impact of the proposed food standards.

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The focus of the analysis of agenda items 11, 12 & 13 of CCPR53, concerns the **codex schedules and priority lists of pesticides for evaluation/re-evaluation by JMPR**.

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Agenda Item 13: Establishment of Codex Schedules and Priority Lists of Pesticides for Evaluation/re-Evaluation by JMPR

Document

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Background

Member countries and observer international organizations (sponsors) who have nominated compounds for the proposed new uses and other evaluations schedule can only confirm a place on the schedule by submitting documented evidence of a registered use / authorized formulation labels / Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), or at least evidence of data submission to a national regulatory authority with a view to obtaining a registration / authorized formulation label / GAP prior to CCPR53.

Analysis

This item should be analyzed taking into account the priority list in the Excel worksheet, that can be downloaded through the following link:

http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/doc/CCPR53_2022_Schedules_and_Priority_Lists_Eonly.xlsx

PRIORITY LISTS 2022

The 2022 CCPR Schedule of Evaluations by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) is closed.

PRIORITY LISTS 2023

The '2023-new CPD' worksheet lists six compounds in the 2023 new compound proposed schedule. National registrations have been confirmed for all the listed compounds. After checking the updated Excel worksheet, the evaluation of one of these compounds was postponed for 2024, upon the manufacturer's request. No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.

The '2023-new use-other' worksheet lists thirteen (13) nominations for new use. Of those thirteen nominations, evidence of product labels / national registration has been provided for twelve compounds. No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted. However, nominators are encouraged to provide evidence of national registration as soon as practicable to confirm a place on the Proposed 2023 Schedule.

The '2023-periodic review' worksheet lists five compounds in the Proposed 2023 Schedule of Periodic Reviews. However, support for several compounds on this list is yet uncertain. Additional information including commodities supported, availability of residue trials and the availability of toxicological data packages is required for several of the supported compounds. Members and observers are strongly encouraged to indicate support for compounds in the periodic review lists, and to consider strategies for retention if these compounds are important to their interests.



PRIORITY LISTS 2024 AND BEYOND

- ❖ The 'Table 1 – 2024 & beyond-new cpd' worksheet includes seven nominations for future scheduling. Five of the compounds are expected to form part of the 2024 Proposed Schedule for CCPR54 (2023). The remaining two compounds are marked for 2025 and 2027 on request by the nominators / manufacturers.
- ❖ The 'Table 1 – 2024 & beyond-new use-other' worksheet includes twenty-one nominations for future scheduling, seventeen nominated for 2024.
- ❖ The 'Table 2A' worksheet includes priority lists for periodic reviews in 2024 and 2025 (13 compounds). All the listed compounds meet the "25-year rule".
- ❖ The 'Table 2B' worksheet lists approximately 60 compounds which meet the "15-year rule" but have not yet been listed for periodic review.

PERIODIC REVIEWS (UNSUPPORTED COMPOUNDS)

There are several compounds from previous schedules of periodic reviews which were not evaluated by JMPR (listed in the new Table 5). Advice from sponsors is urgently required to clarify the status of those compounds. A decision concerning ongoing retention of unsupported compounds on the CCPR List of Pesticides and maintenance of existing Codex maximum residue limits for pesticides (CXLs) should be made at CCPR53.

Member countries and Observers with an interest are strongly encouraged to provide advice on the following compounds which remain unsupported.

Conclusion and Recommendations

Competent authorities responsible for pesticide registration and management in the Arab region are to participate more actively in responding to the calls for national registration information, so that the realities of region in relation with pesticide uses and needs are reflected in the prioritization of compounds to be evaluated / re-evaluated by JMPR in future years.

Arab Codex members and observers are encouraged to closely review the worksheets to ensure accuracy and to remain aware of future schedules to be considered for evaluation / re-evaluation by JMPR and subsequently by CCPR. An additional interesting information to share could be about the banned pesticides in Arab countries and to suggest the committee to revoke them from the lists.

