

IMPLEMENTATION OF FOOD REGULATORY FUNCTIONS

Proposed Structure and Initial Steps

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Background and Objectives

- ☐ The National Assembly of the Republic of Suriname endorsed the creation of NIVS as the sole Food Regulatory Authority in Suriname on 18 December 2020.
- ☐ Food regulatory coverage and mandate developed based on CAC Codex Alimentarius Commission guidance.
- □ NIVS to be setup as an enabler towards a favourable environment for the food / agrifood production sector.
- ☐ Proposed regulatory functions inline with CAC/GL 82-2013.

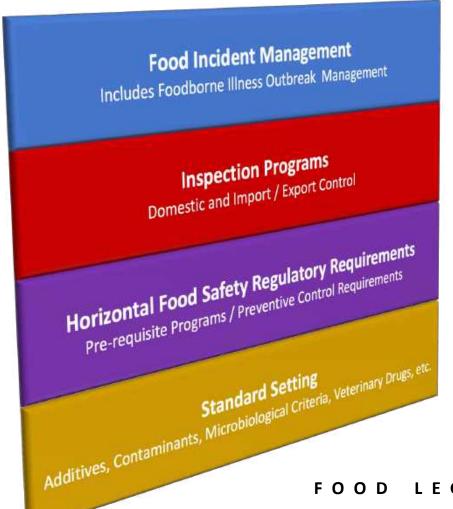


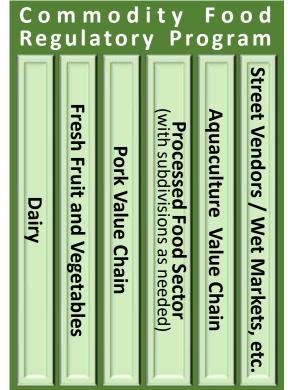






Proposed Food Regulatory Functions





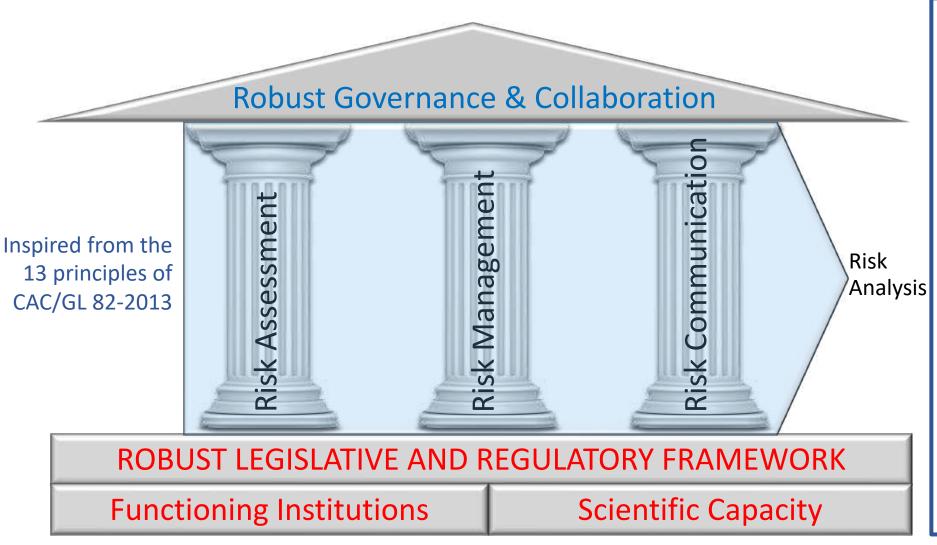
Science Foundation : Data, Tools, Human/Technical Capacity Training, Education and Awareness, Promotion Initiatives Horizontal Food Policy Requirements Includes Program Aspects (Food Labelling Policy, Food Management Policy) and International Cooperation, Codex program, etc. Effective Food Laboratory Operations in Support of Food Regulatory Programs Anchoring Food Safety Regulatory Decisions in LEGISLATION & REGULATIONS







Key Policy Principles of Setup and Operations



Decision-making Framework based on Risk Analysis.

Action driven by
Compliance
Promotion: VADE.

Risk-based Interventions.







Functions of Directorate 1: Food Standards, Regulations and Authorizations

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FOOD STANDARDS TEAM

Chemical

Microbiological

Nutrition and Composition

Pre-market Review and Approval Processes

Post-market Standards HORIZONTAL
REGULATORY
REQUIREMENTS –
TECHNICAL
REGULATIONS
TEAM

Food Legislative and Regulatory Development

Import Regulations

Export Regulations

FOOD BUSINESS OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

Policies,
Requirements Group
Education and
Dissemination Group

Cost Recovery Policy

REGISTRATION GROUP

Administrative Management

Compliance
Verification and
Decisions

Liaison with Inspection Staff / Field Operations

Scientific Support is to be offered by the Science and Operations Directorate (Science group): Scientific Data Management, Risk Assessment Capacity







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Traceability

Preventive Controls e.g. HACCP, GAP, TACCP

Pre-Requisite Programs (PRPs)

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INSPECTORATE

Inspection:

A.

Protocols

B.
Field Staff:
Registration, Compliance
Verification and
Enforcement

Incident Management Unit

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Protocols

3.

Food Safety and Recall

Management of Foodborne
Illness Outbreaks and
Recalls

INFOSAN Contact Point

Food Risk Science Unit: Laboratory and Risk Assessment

Laboratory Methods

Protocols / Procedures

Implementation of Food
Safety testing for Regulatory
Purposes

Food Safety Risk Assessment

- Scientific Capacity

Service-Oriented Testing (Food Production Clients)







Directorate 3 and Office of the CEO (could be part of the same Unit)

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POLICY DIRECTORATE

Horizontal Policy:

Regulatory Policy

Legislative Policy, Liaison with Parliament

International Policy: Codex Contact point, SPS Contact point (in collaboration)

Management of Governance with other parts of LVV



Financial and HR Management

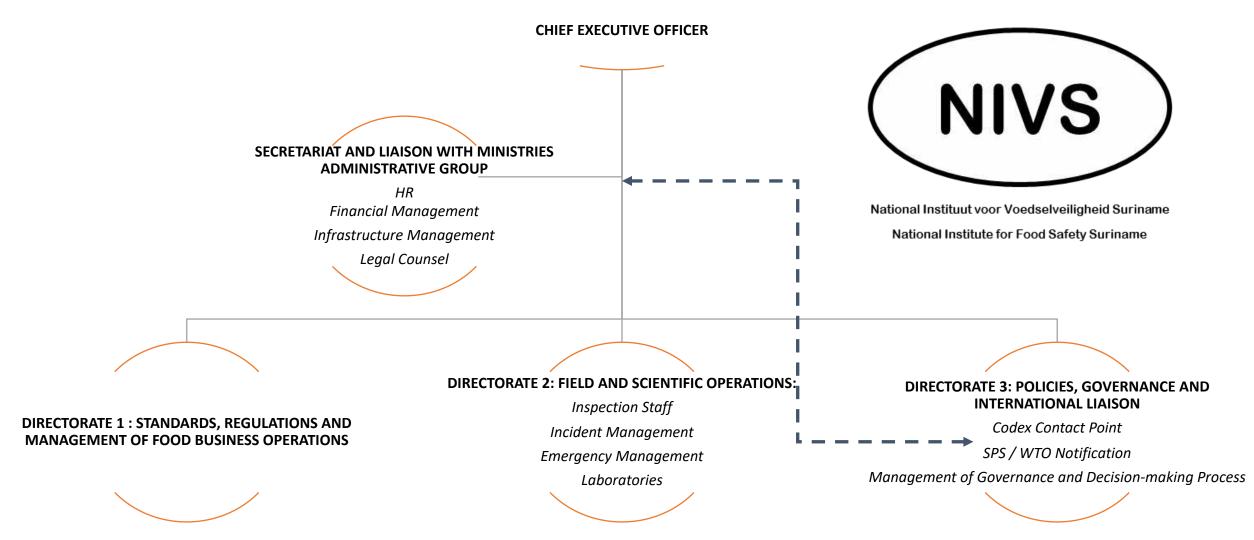
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NIVS Operations and Management – Proposed Structure









Proposed Implementation for Some Sectors

☐ Incremental approach of development and implementation.

- ☐ Proposed resources to be attained within 5 years of operation.
- ☐ Possible implementation based on step-wise investments through enhancement of oversight on certain production sectors

Standards, Regulations, Management of Business Operations 9 $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ Ø Inspection, Import / Export Control > σ \Box $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ Incident Management, Laboratory Analysis and Risk Assessment \supset ய 7 International Policies and Codex Contributions







Need to Develop a Sustainable Economic Model

- ☐ Initial Considerations include:
 - Staff costs
 - On-going operations
 - Cost-recovery mechanisms
 - Field and Laboratory operations
- ☐ Intent to develop a Service Delivery Approach to Recover Costs
 - Laboratory analysis, Assessment of Performance, etc.
- □Option to Develop a Regional Centre of Excellence in Food Regulatory Science and consider a Donor Roundtable to be organized during the course of 2023
 - Seek dedicated support for the first 5 years of operations, towards sustainability of NIVS







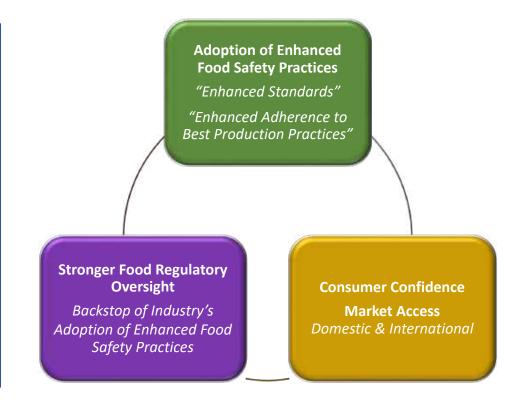


Aim for the Development of the Food Processing Sector

Aim for the Development of Integrated Investments

Enhanced Food Regulatory Programs coupled with

Enhanced Performance of Food Safety
Operations and the Food Processing Sector



Proposed Food Safety Innovation and Technology Transfer Centre to be funded as an Investment Initiative – Vision to be further Developed







Aiming for an Integrated Set of Interventions

Priority Sector Value Chain

Identification of Gaps / Areas of Enhancement

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Food Safety Standard Development

National "GAP"s Adapted to Value Chains

Benchmarked / Sector Specific GMPs

Standards of Traceability

Incremental Approaches Adapted to FBO size

National Brand

A Measure of Excellence in Safety and Quality

REGULATORY

ENHANCEMENTS

Food Safety Standard Adoption & Implementation

Non-Competitive

Sector Specific

Facilitate Adoption of **Enhanced Standards**

Serving Sector Needs

Enabling Mechanisms

Centres of Excellence

Guidance

Food Safety Solutions to

Laboratory Infrastructure

Level Playing Field: Standards

Compliance Verification

lncident Management, Recalls, etc.

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL PROGRAM COORDINATION & ENHANCEMENT

Domestic **Certification of** Markets **Adherence Exports**

Accreditation of Certifying **Partners**

EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE

Investment in a

Food Safety

Innovation and

Technology

Transfer Centre





















