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To: All Provincial Directors of Health Services  
Regional Directors of Health Services  
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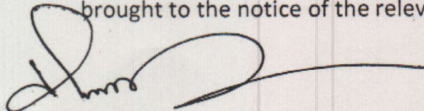
**Control of improper usage of Flavour Enhancer - Monosodium Glutamate (MSG)**

Ref. above subject His Excellency the President, at the Progress Review meeting held on 07.03.2016 at the Ministry of Health has directed the Chief Food Authority control the improper usage of the above flavor enhancer with immediate effect.

Drawing your immediate attention to the above directive I wish to direct you to take immediate and special steps to control the use of MSG in your area through all officers vested with the functions of food control and the Authorized Officers under the Food Act.

In carrying out the above program please pay special attention to the following aspects:  
Action should be initiated according to the provisions of the Food (Food Additives and Flavorings) Regulations – 2013

1. Use of Monosodium Glutamates to the limits of Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP);
2. Instructing the food manufacturers to display clear declarations on the labels to the effect that the food in question contains MSG;
3. No MSG shall be added to food that is intended for infants and children under the age of three (3) years;
4. Carry out educational programs targeting school children;
5. Taking appropriate action to prevent the usage of MSG as a weedicide whenever they are brought to the notice of the relevant officers.

  
Dr.P.G.Mahipala  
Director General of Health Services  
(Chief Food Authority)

1. Addition of flavor enhancers is prohibited in the following list of food;

1. Milk and Milk Products
2. Ice cream and frozen desserts
3. Fats and oils
4. Margarine and Fat Spreads
5. Fresh, surface treated, peeled or cut fruits and vegetables
6. Mushrooms and their products
7. Fruit wines
8. All fruit and vegetable products except fruit powders, vegetable powders, instant fruit and vegetable chutney mix (dry)
9. Vinegar
10. Food grains, pulses, oil seeds and ground/powdered food grains
11. Whole, broken or flaked grains, including rice
11. Edible flours and starches
12. Sago
13. Pastas and noodles (only dried products)
14. Malt based foods and milk based foods
15. Bakery Products
16. Fresh meat, poultry and game, whole pieces or cuts or comminuted
17. Fresh fish and molluscs, crustaceans and echinoderms
18. White sugar, brown sugar and sucrose, fructose, glucose (dextrose), xylose, sugar solutions and syrups, also (partially) inverted sugars, jaggery, treacle, sugar toppings, other sugars and syrups, bee honey
19. Sugar confectionery
20. Ice - candies
21. Culinary herbs, spices, condiment powder and curry powder except special curry mixtures and flavouring mixtures in sachets
22. Black tea, green tea, coffee, herbal extracts and cereal beverages
23. Baking powder
24. Cocoa butter and Cocoa products