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All members of Board of Directors
All relevant Ministries/Institutions/Organizations/Companies
All members of Spices, condiments and culinary herbs Technical Committee
All members of Agriculture and Food Divisional Committee
Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: DRAFT TANZANIA STANDARDS FOR STAKEHOLDERS' COMMENTS

Please refer to the heading above.

2. Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) is in the process of developing national standards on Spices, condiments and culinary herbs as indicated below:
- AFDC 7 (3115) DTZS / ISO 7927-1:2023 Spices and condiments — Fennel seed, whole or ground Part 1: Bitter fennel seed specification (*Foeniculum vulgare* P. Miller var. *vulgare*)
 - AFDC 7 (3116) DTZS /ISO 7927-2:2023 Spices and condiments — Fennel seed, whole or ground Part 2: Sweet fennel seed specification (*Foeniculum vulgare* var. *panmorium*)
 - AFDC 7 (3117) DTZS /ISO 7541:2020 Spices and condiments — Spectrophotometric determination of the extractable colour in paprika
 - AFDC 7 (3120) DTZS/ ISO 7542:1984 Ground (powdered) paprika (*Capsicum annum* Linnaeus) — Microscopical examination
 - AFDC 7 (3129) DTZS/ISO 7543-2:1993 Chillies and chilli oleoresins — Determination of total capsaicinoid content Part 2: Method using high-performance liquid chromatography

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- vi. AFDC 7 (3130) DTZS /ISO 7543-1:1994 Chillies and chilli oleoresins — Determination of total capsaicinoid content Part 1: Spectrometric method
3. According to procedures for preparation of Tanzania Standard(s), the draft standards are hereby circulated for stakeholders' comments.
4. Being one of the key stakeholders in standards development, we kindly request you to go through the draft standards and send your comments regarding their technical contents. Suggestions which entail revision of text should indicate the preferred wording and the relevant clause should be quoted against each comment. In case you find it suitable and no comments, please notify accordingly.
5. Your comments can be submitted in electronic form or in hard copy as per attached form.
6. The Bureau will appreciate to receive your views/difficulties of implementation, if any, on the above-mentioned draft Tanzania standards as early as possible, but not later than **23rd December, 2024**.
7. Thanking you in advance for your kind and continued cooperation.

Yours Sincerely,

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