



Welcome to Issue 19 of AGRINFO UPDATE. This new issue includes changes to import controls on certain foods from Bangladesh, Egypt, India, Madagascar, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Türkiye, Uganda, and Vietnam. It also highlights the EU's plans to introduce maximum permitted levels on mineral oils in food. This will create significant new monitoring and testing requirements for a large number of food sectors. In addition, there is an opportunity to provide feedback on the EU's proposed amendments to contaminants in feed.

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EU proposes to set and amend maximum levels for some contaminants in feed – opportunities for feedback [to EU](#) until **2 February 2024**; [to WTO SPS](#) until **16 February 2024**

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Official controls

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- [Commission fixes fishing opportunities](#) in EU and non-EU waters for **1 January–31 December 2024**
- Conclusion of [EU–Madagascar Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement](#) – applies from **11 December 2023**



Novel/traditional foods

EU authorises the marketing of:

- [apple fruit cell culture biomass in food supplements](#) – applies from **9 January 2024**
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Sustainability/Due diligence

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Contaminants

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