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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

Between

BANGLADESH FOOD SAFETY AUTHORITY (BFSA)

And

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING (DAM)

For

MUTUAL COOPERATION IN THE AREAS OF FOOD SAFETY

1. Preamble

WHEREAS Bangladesh Food Safety Authority (hereinafter referred to as “Authority”), a statutory body established under the Food Safety Act 2013 (hereinafter referred to as “Act”) and the Department of Agricultural Marketing (DAM), Ministry of Agriculture, established under Agricultural Produce Markets Regulation Act 1964 (hereafter referred to as the “Department”) agree to cooperate and work closely to promote, encourage and foster the establishment and maintenance of high standards of food safety for the protection of public health by ensuring that food produced, imported, processed, stored, supplied, distributed, or marketed in Bangladesh meets the highest standards of food safety and hygiene; AND

WHEREAS the Authority and the Department (hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”) welcome opportunities for collaboration in the area of food safety control and when opportunities arise for the Parties to collaborate, they work together to ensure that the best use of public resources is made and to avoid duplication of tasks and responsibilities so as to ensure the statutory responsibilities of both the Parties;

WHEREAS the Parties recognize that the Act which provides a legal basis for collaboration between the Authority and the Department, establishes a Central Food Safety Management Coordination Committee (hereinafter referred to as “Committee”) with specific functions of ensuring the necessary institutional support from the relevant Members of the Committee for the

