

National Codex Comittee: Jamaica

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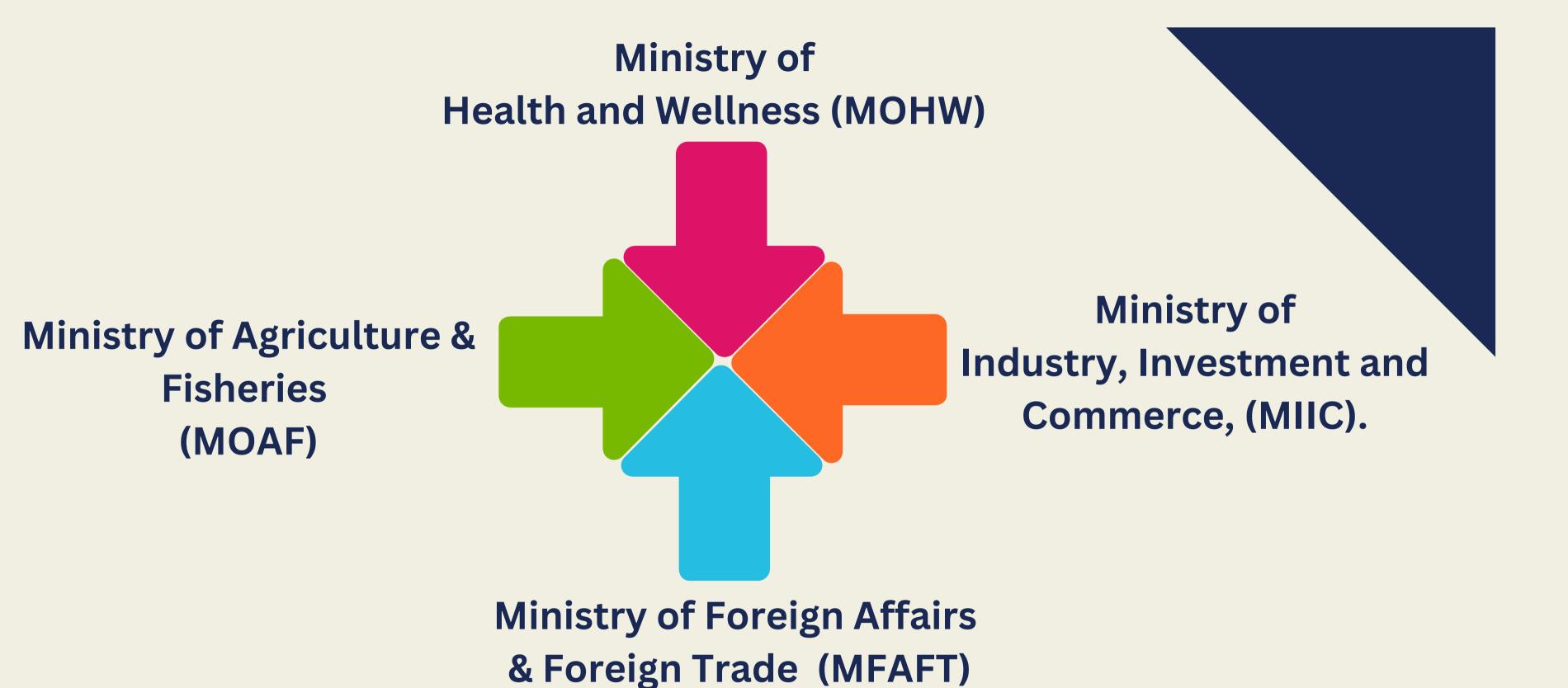


Background

- The Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) is the Codex Contact Point and hosts the Secretariat of the National Codex Committee (NCC).
- The NCC was officially launched on 8 December 2004.
- The NCC coordinates Codex activities within Jamaica through the establishment of local sub-committees.

Background

- The Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) is the Codex Contact
- The NCC meets on a bi-monthly basis- Last Wednesday



Functions of NCC

Formulate National responses to Proposals and Policies

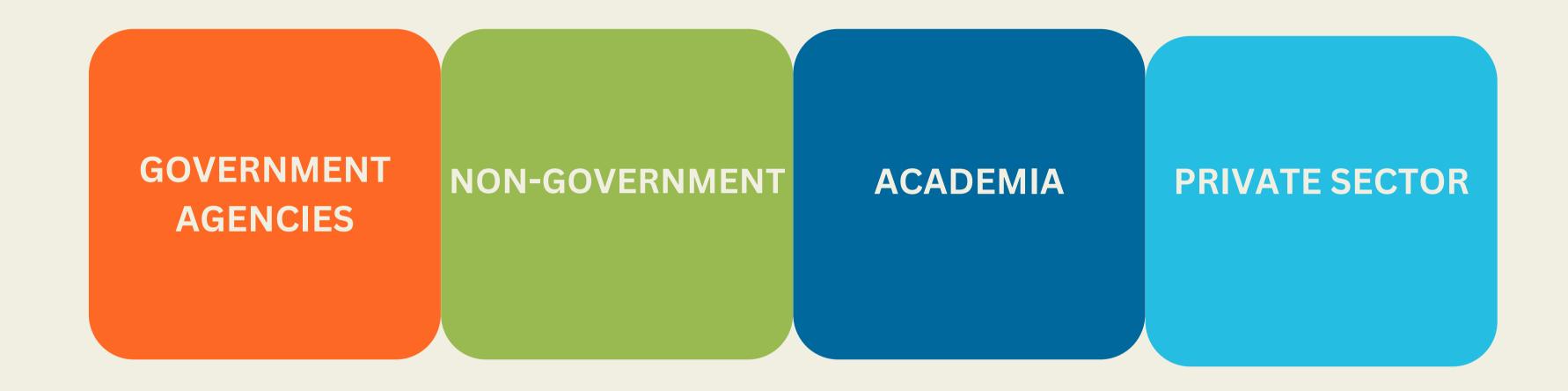
Acts as a consultative body to the government

Appoint Technical Sub-Committees to facilitate national participation

Nominate delegates to represent Jamaica at Codex Meetings

Provide guidance on Technical Matters to Private Sector Establish Mechanism to promote Jamaican Standards for adoption as International Standards

Structure of NCC



Active Sub-Committees

- Food Labelling (CCFL)
- Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS)
- Food Import and Export Inspection
 Certification Systems (CCFICS)
- Food Hygiene (CCFH)
- Pesticides Residue (CCPR)
- Food Additives (CCFA)
- Contaminants (CCCF)

- Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU)
- Residues of Veterinary Drugs (CCRVDF)
- Fish and Fishery Products (CCFFP)
- Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (CCFFV)
- Spices and Culinary Herbs (CCSCH)

Inactive Sub-Committees: WIP

- General Principles (CCGP)
- Fats and Oils (CCFO)
- Processed Fruits and Vegetables (CCPFV)

Recent Activities

- World Food Safety Day 2022
- Consultation with IICA
- CCAFRICA/CCLAC/US Codex Alimentarius Colloquium on Culinary Spices and Herbs
- Codex Trust Fund Meeting

Current/Upcoming Activities

- CAC45
- eWG: National Registration of Pesticides for Periodic Review by JMPR (CCPR)
- eWG: Review of methods in CXS 234 1999: Request for comments on the fats and oils workable package (CCMAS)
- eWG: Development of a proposed draft standard for fresh curry leaves (CCFFV)
- vWGs for CCSCH6

Benefits of Codex Participation

Regional collaboration on important food safety matters

Increase in technical capacity through engaging in technical discussions

Promotion of private and public stakeholders collaboration

Fair say in standard development

Challenges

Human resources
 Only 2 members currently

Language barrier

Opportunities

 Increasing technical capacity through partnerships with other jurisdictions and training

 Solutions to reducing the language barriers such as Spanish language training

Thank you for listening...

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