



Specialised Training Programme on Standards, Regulations and WTO SPS and TBT Measures

Organised By

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9 – 18 September 2026

Venue: Room no. 703, 7th Floor, NAFED House, Ashram Chowk, New Delhi

Day 1, Classroom Wednesday – 9 September 2026		
0930-1000 hrs	<i>Registration & Group Photograph</i>	
1000 -1100 hrs	<i>Inaugural Session</i>	
	<p>Welcome Remarks</p> <p>&</p> <p>Inaugural Address</p> <p>Special Address</p> <p>Vote of Thanks</p>	
1100- 1115 hrs	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1115-1245 hrs	<p>Session 1</p> <p>The Multilateral Trading System in Today's Arbitrary Conditions</p>	
1245-1400 hrs	<i>Lunch</i>	
1400-1515 hrs	<p>Session 2</p> <p>International Trade: Theories and Overview of GATT/WTO – Exceptions to the WTO</p>	
1515-1530 hrs	<i>Tea/ Coffee</i>	
1530-1645 hrs	<p>Session 3</p> <p>Introduction to WTO's Legal Agreement on TBT</p>	

Day 2, Classroom Thursday - 10 September 2026		
1000-1115 hrs	Session 4 Introduction to WTO's Legal Agreement on SPS	
1115-1130 hrs	<i>Tea/ Coffee</i>	
1130-1245 hrs	Session 5 Meeting Importing Countries' Requirements and Issues in Export Certification	
1245-1400 hrs	Lunch	
Delhi Sightseeing (Qutub Minar and Delhi Haat) 1400-1800 hrs		
Day 3, Classroom Friday - 11 September 2026		
1000-1115 hrs	Session 6 Challenges in Complying with SPS Standards – Recent FTA Experiences Codex Alimentarius and its Relevance to Developing Countries	
1115-1130 hrs	<i>Tea/ Coffee</i>	
1130-1245 hrs	Session 7 Trade Analytics	
1245-1400 hrs	Lunch	
1400-1515 hrs	Session 8 Global Challenges of the non-tariff policies adopted by major trading partners – MRLs and CAPs	
1515-1530 hrs	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1530-1645 hrs	Session 9 Meeting Challenges in Standards and Regulations: Specifically, from the point of view of private	
Day 4, Agra Visit to Taj Mahal and Agra Fort Saturday - 12 September 2026		
Day 5, Holiday Sunday - 13 September 2026		
Day 6, Classroom Monday - 14 September 2026		
1000-1115 hrs	Session 10 Trade Facilitation and Challenges for International Trade	
1115-1130 hrs	<i>Tea/ Coffee</i>	
1130-1200 hrs	Session 11 Improving Capacity on the Enforcement of Standards at the Border: A Case of Developing Countries	
1200-1245	<i>Visit to CRIT Library and Nafed Cooperative Society</i>	
1245-1400 hrs	Lunch	
1400-1515 hrs	Session 12 <i>WTO & amp; Development: An the standards Restated aspects</i>	
1515-1530 hrs	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1530-1645 hrs	Session 12 <i>Nafed and CRIT Library Visit</i>	
Day 7, Classroom		

Tuesday - 15 September 2026		
1000-1115 hrs	Session 14 Codex Alimentarius and its Relevance to Developing Countries	
<i>1115-1130 hrs</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1130-1245 hrs	Session 15 Harmonization of National Food Standards with Codex (a case study)	
<i>1245-1400 hrs</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	
1400-1515 hrs	Session 16 Challenges of SDGs: Implications for International and Domestic Trade Challenges of SDGs: Implications for International and Domestic Trade	
<i>1515-1530 hrs</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1530-1645 hrs	Session 17 How Developing Countries use RTAs to tackle SPS/ TBTs Measures	
Day 8, Classroom Wednesday - 16 September 2026		
1000-1115 hrs	Session 18 National Standards Eco System, Role of National Standards Body, Regulatory Framework & TBT Enquiry Point	
<i>1115-1130 hrs</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1130-1245 hrs	Session 19 National Standards Eco System, Role of National Standards Body, Regulatory Framework & TBT Enquiry Point	
<i>1245-1400 hrs</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	
1400-1515 hrs	Session 20 Functions of FSSAI, Objectives and Harmonization with Codex	
<i>1515-1530 hrs</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1530-1645 hrs	Session 21 Facilitating Compliance to Food Safety and Food Quality for Cross-border Agri-food Trade	
Day 9, Classroom Thursday - 17 September 2026		
1000-1115 hrs	Session 22 Understanding challenges of standards and conformity assessment	
<i>1115-1130 hrs</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1130-1245 hrs	Session 23 Indian Industry's Experiences in Meeting Challenges in Standards and Regulations	
<i>1245-1400 hrs</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	
1400-1515 hrs	Session 24 Sharing of Experiences in SPS & TBT Measures Participants to Share their Country's Experiences in Meeting SPS/TBT Measures or Enforcing SPS/TBT Measures	
<i>1515-1530 hrs</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
1530-1645 hrs	Session 25 Sharing of Experiences in SPS & TBT Measures Participants to Share their Country's Experiences in Meeting SPS/TBT Measures or Enforcing SPS/TBT Measures	
Day 10, Classroom Friday - 18 September 2026		

1000-1115 hrs	Session 26 <i>Dispute Settlement Mechanism and Trade Dispute in TBT and SPS Measures</i>	
1115-1130 hrs	Tea/Coffee	
1130-1245 hrs	Session 27 Valedictory Session Valedictory address Special Address Keynote address Vote of thanks Distribution of Certificates	Dr. Murali Kallummal, Professor CWS & Admin. Head, CRIT