

FSC Activities in Fiscal 2007

Detailed descriptions of the following activities are available at FSC website (<http://www.fsc.go.jp/english/index.html>).

1. Risk assessment activities

FSC received requests for risk assessment for 952 items from MHLW, MAFF, and the Ministry of the Environment in the four and a half years from its establishment; completed assessments for 538 items, and submitted its opinion to the risk management bodies.

Assessments Implemented by Expert Committees

(July 1, 2003 to February 29, 2008)

Name of Expert Committee	Existing requests	Self tasks by FSC	Total	Assessment completed	Collecting public comment	In Progressed
Food Additives	83	0	83	64	3	16
Pesticides	384	0	384	148	9	227
including positive list items	133	0	133	47	4	82
including residues in soft drinks	93	0	93	8	1	84
Veterinary Medicines	252	0	252	160	6	86
including Positive List system	75	0	75	21	3	51
Chemical / Contaminant Substances	51	0	51	11	7	33
including residues in soft drinks	48	0	48	9	7	32
Apparatus/Containers and Packages	4	0	4	4	0	0
Microorganisms /Viruses	3	1	4	3	0	1
Prions	11	2	13	11	0	2
Natural Toxins/Mycotoxins, and other toxins.	3	0	3	3	0	0
Genetically Modified organisms, and other related agents	69	0	69	60	0	9
Novel Foods	66	0	66	54	0	12
Feed/Fertilizer, and other related agents.	23	0	23	19	0	4
including positive list items	5	0	5	2	0	3
Joint meeting of Veterinary Medicine and Feed/Fertilizer	2	0	2	1	0	1
Joint meeting of Novel Foods and Food Additives	1	0	1	0	0	1
Total	952	3	955	538	25	392

Note

1. "In Progress" includes items currently being discussed, those requiring the submission of additional information, and those pending discussion.
2. If the risk management agencies back down on their request, it will be subtracted from "Existing requests" numbers.
3. the items which are under consideration after the deadlines of public comment are included in "Collecting public comment."