

Consideration of mandatory HACCP implementation

- New *ad hoc* panel of MHLW on HACCP was established in March 2016 to discuss a possible legal framework for mandatory HACCP implementation.

Agenda of the advisory panel

- i) Scope of food and size of FBOs subject for mandatory HACCP implementation
- ii) Handling of imported food in relation to HACCP implementation

Timeline

1st and 2nd Meetings

Review of HACCP implementation status (domestic, international) etc.

3rd -7th Meetings

Public hearings with industry associations

8th Meeting

Review of draft report

Public comment

9th Meeting

Review of final report

December, 2016

Publication of Final Report

Final report of *ad hoc* advisory panel

- The final report of the *ad hoc* panel based on the discussion over 9 meetings including hearings from 24 food industry associations was published on 26 December, 2016.

