

Food and Drug Safety

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) formed under Department of Health since 1995, administered control activities not only in food and drug but also in cosmetic, medical device and household products. Law enforcement is undertaken under the guidance of Ministry of Health and Myanmar Food and Drug Board of Authority and supervised by Central Food and Drug Supervisory Committees. Control programmes are implemented by State / Division, District and Township Food and Drug Supervisory Committees within their respective jurisdictions. FDA offers laboratory service for controlling quality and safety of food, drug, cosmetic, medical device and household products. Mandalay FDA branch established in 2000 assists FDA's control work for upper Myanmar.



Local manufacturing facilities of food, drug, cosmetic, medical device and household products are inspected and certified on the basis of compliance with the required Good Manufacturing Practice and assisted in applying Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point methodology so as the final products meet the quality standard appropriate to their intended use and ensure consumer's health and benefit.



FDA takes necessary measures to ensure that only drugs that are registered are imported, the cosmetic product that are notified are placed in the market and to implement ASEAN Cosmetic Derivative by 1st January, 2008.



Importation and exportation of food, medical device and household products inspection and certification system is in place and protect the health of consumers and facilitate fair practices in trade. The sale of drug, food, cosmetic, medical device and household products are regulated by Township Food and Drug Supervisory Committee, which consists of personnel from Department of Health, Department of General Administration, Myanmar Police Force, City Development Committees/ Developmental Affairs Department and Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department.

FDA is also taking required activities relating to food and drug safety. The 23rd Meeting of ASEAN Working Group on Technical Cooperation in Pharmaceuticals (AWGTCP) was held in Yangon in October, 2007.