

SFA recalls Everest Fish Curry Masala from India due to the presence of Ethylene Oxide at levels exceeding permissible limit

The Centre for Food Safety in Hong Kong has issued a notification on the recall of Everest Fish Curry Masala from India due to the presence of ethylene oxide at levels exceeding permissible limit.

2 As the implicated products were imported into Singapore, the Singapore Food Agency (SFA) has directed the importer, Sp Muthiah & Sons Pte. Ltd., to recall the products. The recall is ongoing.

3 Ethylene oxide is a pesticide that is not authorised for use in food. It can be used to fumigate agricultural products to prevent microbial contamination. Under Singapore’s Food Regulations, ethylene oxide is allowed to be used in the sterilisation of spices.

4 Although there is no immediate risk to consumption of food contaminated with low levels of ethylene oxide, long term exposure may lead to health issues. Therefore, exposure to this substance should be minimised as much as possible. Consumers who have purchased the implicated products are advised not to consume it. Those who have consumed the implicated products and have concerns about their health should seek medical advice. Consumers may contact their point of purchase for enquiries.

5 Details of the implicated products are as follows:

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| <p>Product name: Everest Fish Curry Masala (50g)</p> <p>Best before date: 09/2025</p> <p>Country of origin: India</p> |  <p>The image shows the packaging for Everest Fish Curry Masala. The top part of the package is red with the 'EVEREST' logo in white. Below the logo, it says 'Fish Curry Masala' in white text. Underneath, there are three lines of text: '(Spices blend for Fish Curry)', '(Mélange d'épices pour Curry de poisson)', and '(مزيج بهارات لكارى السمك)'. The bottom part of the package features a photograph of a white bowl filled with fish curry and a side of white rice. A small white label at the bottom left of the package indicates the net weight: 'NET WT/ POIDS NET/ الوزن الصافي 1.75 OZ (50g)'.</p> |
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