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FOREWORD

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I have great pleasure to announce that the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock adopts nine sets of Code of Conduct for nine important segments of the shrimp based industry value chain. These segments are: (i) Black tiger shrimp (Bagda) *Penaeus monodon* hatchery, (ii) *Macrobrachium* shrimp (Galda) hatchery, (iii) Black tiger *Penaeus monodon* shrimp farm, (iv) Galda shrimp (*Macrobrachium*) farm, (v) Shrimp depot, (vi) Ice plants, (vii) Fishing boats, (viii) Fish carrier transport van / vessel and (ix) Shrimp / Fish feed mill. All the stakeholders of these categories will be expected to strictly comply with their respective Code.

There are suggestions that Codes are also necessary for four more segments of the shrimp industry value chain; these are: (i) Shrimp and fish auction centre, (ii) Shrimp/fish feed retailing shops, (iii) Aquaculture drug retailing shops and (iv) Fish markets.

Since the international market demand for the qualitative aspects of the of the shrimp is a dynamic process, we will be required to adjust the Codes from time to time in keeping with any changes in the international requirements.

I sincerely thank the Department of Fisheries (DoF) and Bangladesh Shrimp and Fish Foundation (BSFF) experts for their immense contributions towards formulating the Codes. We believe strict compliance with Codes will increase the accessibility of our fisheries products in the international market, thereby elevating the image of Bangladesh. Besides, compliance with the Codes will also help ensure food safety for the domestic consumers.


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