THE IMPACT OF COVID ON THE MARKET SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES IN TURKEY
MARKET SURVEILLANCE IN TURKEY

It is a necessity for a product placed on the market to provide either no risk or a minimum acceptable level of risk for

- the health of persons,
- safety of persons and their properties,
- life and health of animals and plants,
- environment,
- consumer,

Therefore, product safety is essential and market surveillance involves checking whether products meet the applicable safety requirements. If they do not, it involves taking the necessary steps to ensure requirements are met, or imposing penalties.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MARKET SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY (MSA)</th>
<th>PRODUCT GROUPS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Industry and Technology</td>
<td>ATEX products, cableways, lifts, aerosol dispensers, pressure equipment, gas appliances, electrical equipment, energy efficiency, machinery, motor vehicles, explosives for civil use, transportable pressure equipment, hot water boilers, measuring instruments, pre-packaged products, batteries and accumulators</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Trade</td>
<td>Detergents, toys, chemical products (tattoo inks, cleaning and washing products), childcare products, products in the non-harmonized area such as ready to wear clothing-textile and footwear, decorative articles, furniture, hand tools, gadgets, hobby and sports equipment, kitchen/cooking accessories, lighters, stationery, children's equipment, food imitation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Health (MoH)</td>
<td>Cosmetics, medical devices</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry</td>
<td>Foodstuffs, food contact materials, feed, fertilizers, plant protection products, medical products for veterinary use, tobacco products and ethyl alcohol</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Environment and Urbanization</td>
<td>Construction products, solid fuels</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Information and Communication Technologies Authority</td>
<td>Radio and telecommunication terminal equipment.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Labour and Social Security</td>
<td>Personal protective equipment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure</td>
<td>Recreational crafts, marine equipment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Energy Market Regulatory Authority</td>
<td>Fuels</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
MARKET SURVEILLANCE IN TURKEY

MS coordination through two different mechanisms:
1. Market Surveillance Coordination Board
2. Product Safety Assessment Board

Covid period
more controls on personal protective masks and sightseeing boats
LEGAL BASIS FOR MARKET SURVEILLANCE

- 97/9196 Cabinet Decision
- The Framework Law (No. 7223 on the “Product Safety and Technical Legislations”)
- Regulation on Market Surveillance of Products
- Other secondary regulations
### Product categories which were more inspected (product batch)

- **Food**: 47,613
- **Ready Packaging**: 1,418,613
- **Ready Mixed Concrete**: 405,724
- **Lifts**: 8,327
- **Electrical Equipments**: 73,808
- **Biodical Products (Except TIPE 1 Ve TIPE 19)**: 5,936
- **Provender**: 7,747
- **Chemical and Organic Fertilizers**: 35,434
- **Machinery**: 3,379

### The most unsafe products

- **Food**: 789
- **Ready Mixed Concrete**: 175
- **Other Consumer Products**: 77
- **Electrical Equipment**: 74
- **Personal Protective Equipment**: 34
- **Cosmetic**: 32
- **Automotive**: 24
Awareness Raising in the Areas of Product Safety, Market Surveillance and Conformity Assessment Project is a technical assistance project co-funded by Turkey and EU in which the MoT is identified as the beneficiary, but also includes other stakeholders from public, private and civil society bodies. The project duration is 24 months and has been commenced on 9th of October 2018.

The overall objective of the project is to contribute to increased awareness in the areas of product safety, market surveillance and conformity assessment for better implementation of the EU technical legislation.

The project ended in 12.3.2021. The project was very successful for our awareness project. All the stakeholders appreciated the project.
A new unit under Ministry of Trade

- A central unit for «sampling»
- Non-disclosure of inspectors and inspections
- Internet searches for finding unsafe products
- Follow up for upcoming e-commerce trends
- Close cooperation and coordination with MSAs and online market places
- New legislation for market surveillance over online sales for better sampling procedures and regulation of sanctions
Thank you