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National Food Safety Week from 28.11.2016 to 03.12.2016

As you are aware, Sri Lanka is now facing the challenge of controlling non communicable diseases (NCDs). All major NCDs have a direct link to food and beverages that we consume. Approach to NCD control is largely through community based interventions which are supported by nationally adopted control measures including food control regulations. Further food adulteration and contamination is also a matter of grave concern.

Keeping these in mind, Ministry of Health has declared a National Food Safety week from 28th of November 2016 to 3rd of December 2016.

You are requested to carryout following activities during this week to ensure and strengthen food safety activities in your area.

- Ensure that the food (color coding for sugar level) regulation is strictly implemented in your area.
- Organize special programmes to inspect hotels, restaurants and all eating houses paying special attention to restaurants serving at long distance bus stops.
- Inspect and ensure that the school canteens adhere to school canteen policy and inspect shops around schools to ensure that unhygienic and unhealthy foods are not sold to school children.

Please send a summary of activities you carried out during the week to Director, Environmental and Occupational Health, Ministry of Health on or before 20.12.2016.

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Director General of Health Services
Chief Food Authority

