

**Workshop/Seminar on**  
**Food Safety Governance in Sri Lanka:**  
**Roles, Expectations, and Collaboration**

organized by the National Secretariat of Professional Practice of Chemistry (NSPPC),  
Institute of Chemistry Ceylon (ICChemC)

**Date.** 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024    **Time.** 9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

**Venue.** Prof PPGL Siriwardena Auditorium, ICChemC, Rajagiriya

**Programme**

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| <b>8.45 - 9.00 am</b>   | <b>Registration</b>   |
| <b>9.00 – 9.15 a.m.</b> | <b>Welcome address</b><br>Prof Namal Priyantha<br><i>President, Institute of Chemistry Ceylon</i>   |
| <b>9.15 - 9.40 am</b>   | <b>Setting the Context: Importance of Food Safety Governance</b><br>Ms Visaka Thilakaratne<br><i>Past president Nutrition Society of Sri Lanka</i>  |
| <b>9.40 – 10.05 am</b>  | <b>Role of Institute of Chemistry Ceylon in Food Safety</b><br>Chartered Chemist N M S Hettigedara<br><i>Registered Nutritionist/Dietitian, Immediate Past President and<br/>the Chairman, National Secretariat of Professional Practice of Chemistry</i> |
| <b>10.05 - 10.30 am</b> | <b>Consumer Affairs Authority of Sri Lanka: Safeguarding Consumer Interests</b><br>Mrs. Samantha Karunaratne<br><i>Director, Consumer Affairs Authority of Sri Lanka (CAA)</i>  |
| <b>10.30 - 10.50 am</b> | <b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>   |
| <b>10.50 - 11.15 am</b> | <b>Sri Lanka Customs: Ensuring Safe Import and Export of Food Products</b><br>Dr Ashraf Samsudeen<br><i>Deputy Director of Customs</i>  |
| <b>11.15 - 11.40 am</b> | <b>Sri Lanka Standards Institution (SLSI): Setting the Bar for Quality and Safety</b><br>Mrs. V S Pasqual<br><i>Senior Deputy Director, Sri Lanka Standards Institution (SLSI)</i>  |
| <b>11.40 - 12.05 pm</b> | <b>Industrial Technology Institute (ITI): Driving Innovation in Food Safety</b><br>Dr H P S S Somasiri<br><i>Additional Director General (Technical Services), ITI</i>  |
| <b>12.05 - 1.05 pm</b>  | <b>Lunch Break</b>  |

- 1.05 - 1.50 pm**      **Panel Discussion: Industry Expectations and Collaboration**  
Moderators: Ms Visaka Thilakratne, Mr E G Somapala
- 1.50 - 2.15 pm**      **Way Forward: Strengthening Collaborative Governance for Food Safety**  
Ms Tina Jayaratnam - *speaker*  
*Project Management Specialist, FAO*
- 2.15 - 2.40 pm**      **Atomic Energy Authority of Sri Lanka: Radiation Safety in Food Industry**  
Mr. Priyanga Rathnayake  
*Deputy Director, IT & Promotional, Radiation Protection and Technical Services Division, Sri Lanka Atomic Energy Board*
- 2.40 - 3.05 pm**      **Ministry of Health (Food Advisory Committee). Setting Standards and Guidelines**  
Dr Buddhika Sudasinghe  
*Consultant Community Physician, Directorate of Environmental Health Occupational Health and Food Safety*
- 3.05 - 4.00 pm**      **Discussion & Tea**