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Foreword

This Mauritian Standard was drawn by the Food and Agriculture Standards Committee (FASC) through its Subcommittee on Rice and approved by the Standards Council on 02 February 2011. It was notified in the Government Gazette on 26 February 2011*

In preparing this standard reference was made to the following documents:

- 1 **PS 3342: 2007** - *Pakistan Standard - Specification for rice*
- 2 **Indian Notification no 67 (23 January 2003)**
Schedule -Standards for Indian Basmati rice adopted by Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)
- 3 **Indian Notification no 68 (23 January 2003)**
- 4 **Indian Notification no 57 (2010)**
- 5 **British Retail Consortium** (Code of practice for Basmati rice)

Acknowledgement is made for the use of information from the above publications.

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1 Scope

This Mauritian Standard lays down the minimum specifications for Basmati rice (*Oryza sativa* L) of the following types: husked rice, brown (cargo rice), brown parboiled rice, milled white rice (raw) and milled parboiled rice suitable for human consumption, directly or after processing, and which is the subject of international trade.

This Standard applies to prepacked as well as non-prepacked Basmati rice.

NOTE At such time as a consensus is reached by the producing countries on the approval and testing of new Basmati varieties, the standard may be amended accordingly.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) referred to applies.

ISO 712	<i>Cereals and cereal products — Determination of moisture content — Routine reference method.</i>
ISO 6647-1	<i>Determination of amylose content — Part 1: Reference methods</i>
ISO 6647-2	<i>Determination of amylose content — Part 2: Routine methods</i>
ISO 24333	<i>Cereals and cereal products — Sampling</i>
ISO 7301	<i>Rice - Specification</i>

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions in ISO 7301 and the following apply:

3.1

moisture

condensed vapour in the rice, which is measurable

3.2

constrasting variety

all non-Basmati varieties including Kashmira rice variety in all grades of Basmati rice, whether husked rice, brown rice or parboiled, milled white rice or parboiled rice