

## **Important Implementation Results of June 2018**

### **Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau,**

### **Environmental Protection Administration, Executive Yuan**

1. The revised draft of the Administration's "Toxic Chemical Substance Disaster Prevention and Protection Plan" was approved by the resolutions of the 38th meeting of the Central Disaster Prevention and Response Council of the Executive Yuan. On June 13, the Government Letter was issued to the relevant central government departments and local environmental protection agencies.
2. On June 28, 14 kinds of dyes such as Sudan dyes, which may be illegally added to feed or food, and two kinds of persistent organic pollutants such as pentachlorophenyl laurate and perfluorooctanoic acid, which are not easily decomposed in the environment, are announced as toxic chemical substances. The regulated concentration of PFOS was revised from the original 1% to 0.01% to expand the scope of management.
3. On June 28, the press conference of "Food Safety Network, Safe Purchase of Food Additives: Launching the 2018 Joint Inspection on Chemical Raw Materials Industry Concurrently Selling Food Additives and Announcing the 16 Toxic Chemical Substances such as Sudan Red" was held to explain the inter-departmental cooperation between the Environmental Protection Administration and the Ministry of Health and Welfare to jointly launch the "2018 Joint Inspection Action Plan on Chemical Raw Materials Industry Concurrently Selling Food Additives" on July 1. Through the strengthening of environmental protection and health inspection control measures, this effort is aimed to block non-food chemical substances from systematically entering the food chain in order to ensure food safety and public health.