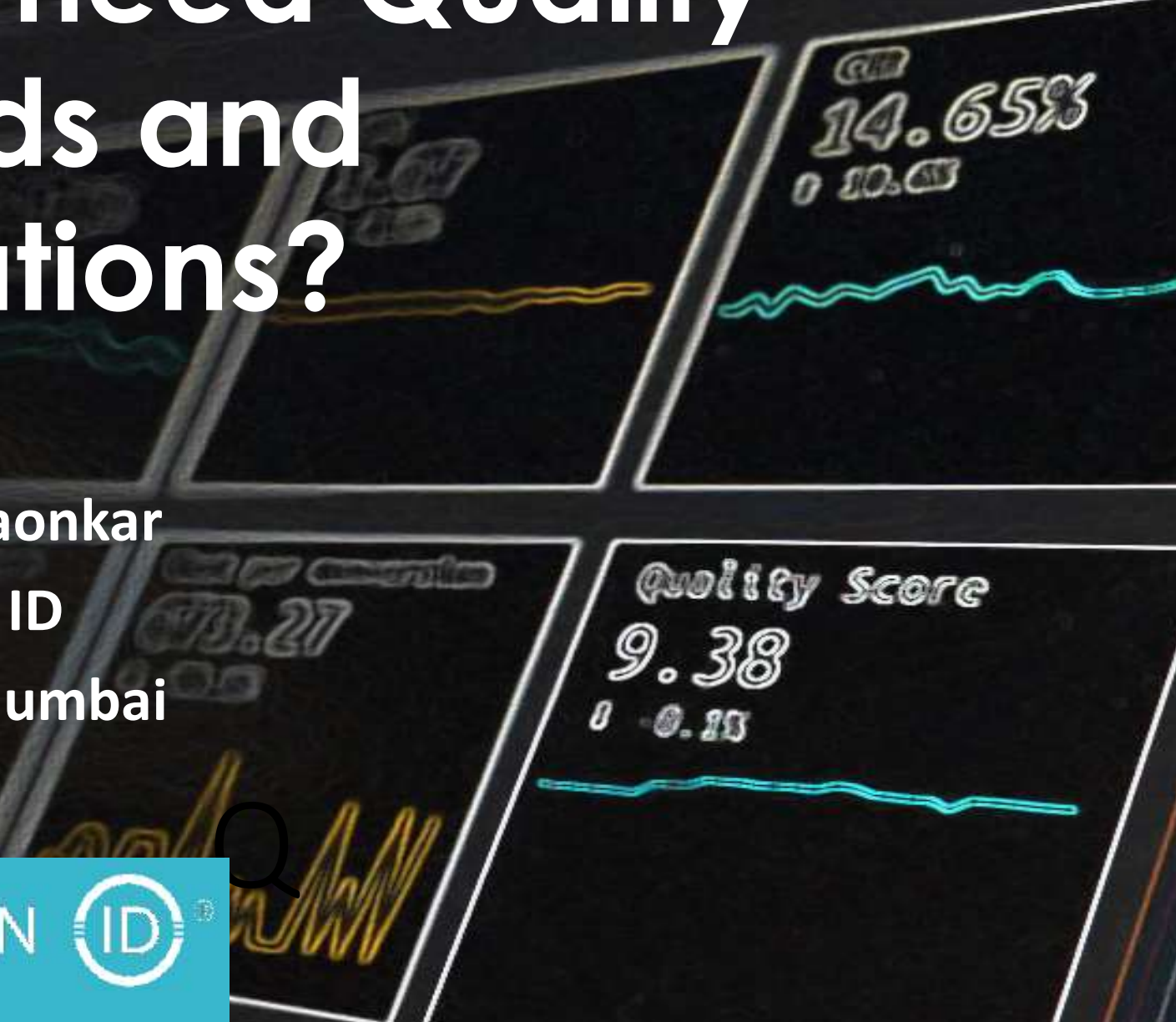


Why we need Quality Standards and Certifications?

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They help in mitigating the issues associated with **Non-Tariff Barriers**

Besides demonstrating sustainability compliance

- Quality conditions of importing country
- Unjustified Sanitary and Phyto-sanitary conditions
- Unreasonable packaging, labelling, product standards
- Additional trade documents like Certificate of Origin, Certificate of Authenticity etc
- Complex regulatory environment
- Occupational safety and health regulation
- Employment law
- Determination of eligibility of an exporting establishment (firm, company)

Examples of reasons of rejections

Date	Commodity group	Commodity	Country of origin	Reason for notifying	Notified by	Hazard	Type of control	
↓↑	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	
08 May 2020	06 May 2020	Processed foods	Gluten-free products	India	Almost 10% of grain-based foods labelled as 'gluten-free' and over 35% of those that do not contain gluten by nature in India have been found to be contaminated with it, some up to 90 times more than permitted levels.	India	Gluten - undeclared	Not known
	30 Apr 2020	Pulse products	Guar gum	India	absence of health mark on guar gum powder from India	Poland	Fraudulent documentation	border control - consignment detained

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29 Apr 2020	30 Mar 2020	Processed foods	Confectionery - other	India	FDA Import Refusal for SWEET GOODS	United States	Import refusal	Not known
	24 Mar 2020	Spices - fruits and berries	Paprika and chilli powder	India	FDA Import Refusal for CAPSICUMS (CAYENNE CHILI, HOT PEPPERS), GROUND, CRACKED (SPICE) from India. The article appears to contain Salmonella, a poisonous and deleterious substance which may render it injurious to health.	United States	Import refusal	Not known

General Focus of the Certification standards

Quality & Food Safety Standards

- Organization Commitment
- Factory Standards / Pre-requisite program focusing on Infrastructure, Hygiene & Sanitation
- Product Control
- Process Control
- HACCP
- Management System (Quality & Food Safety)
- Traceability
- Legal Compliances

Sustainability Standards

- Economic aspects like top line-bottom line profitability, rejections, brand damage etc
- Environmental aspects on water, carbon footprints including wild life conservation
- Social aspects including child labour, discrimination, wages etc

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Agri Commodities

Commodity specific

- ProTerra
- Bonsucro
- RTRS
- Ethical Tea
- Ethical Coffee
- Ethical Cocoa
- RSPO and so on.....



**Seafood : Farms /
Seacaught**

- Best Aquaculture Practices (BAP)
- GlobalGAP – Aquaculture
- MSC – Fishery
- MSC - CoC
- Global Aquaculture Alliance
- SEDEX



Fresh Produce

- GlobalGAP – Fruits & Vegetables
- GlobalGAP – Flouriculture
- SEDEX
- Food Safety for Packhouse



Animal Farms

- National / Customer specific Animal welfare standards

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Processing Plants

- GFSI Food Safety Standards like FS22000, BRC, SQF, IFS
- ISO 22000
- Social Standards like SMETA
- EHS Standards
- Kosher,
- Halal etc



Voluntary Product Standards

- Non-GMO
- Vegan
- Gluten-Free
- Lactose Free
- Organic
- Geographical Identity
- Vegetarian



Warehouses, Logistics

- BRC Storage & Distribution
- ISO 22000
- FSSC
- IFS



Agents, Brokers, Traders

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- FSSC
- IFS

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Animal Feed / PET Food

- GFSI Food Safety
- FAMI QS
- GMP B+



Food Packaging

- BRC Packaging
- FSSC Packaging
- SQF Packaging
- IFS Packaging



**Food Equipment
Manufacturer**

- ISO 22000

Summary

- Its not a piece of certificate but the tool for ensuring compliance.
- Cost of recall is very high.
- At international level, its not about one company, one commodity – but **image of India for its integrity.**

Thank You !!

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