

Safer and healthier food markets for the development of Smarter Healthy Cities beyond COVID-19

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Food markets

 wet markets, informal markets, farmers markets, food market...

- sell foods of animal origin, vegetables, dried goods and where live animals are sometimes housed and slaughtered on site
 - food safety, food security, nutrition



- culture, gastronomy, tourism...
 - sources of food and livelihood for millions of people in the Western Pacific Region.
 - In some cases have also become associated with the spread of some emerging infectious diseases from animals to humans (zoonoses).

Ref. [1]; [2]; [3]; [4]; [5]; [6]

Traditional food markets in Asia and in the Western Pacific









80% food (animal origin and vegetables) in LMICs is produced by smallholders and sold in food markets.







Ref. [7]

Why do we need safer and healthier food markets for the development of Smarter Healthy Cities beyond COVID-19?

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Needed to support humanity per year (now)

60%
HUMAN INFECTIONS



are estimated to have an animal origin (now)

BILLION

9.7



Estimated world population in **2050**

2/3

GLOBAL POPULATION



Living in urban areas by **2050**

102%

INCREASING



Food demand between 2009 and **2050**

Ref. [8]; [9]; [10]; [11]



Relevance of food safety

- Safe food today for a healthy tomorrow
- Intrinsic component of food security and nutrition
- Interconnected with multiple aspects of the human development (health, economic, social, environmental)

Direct impact:



End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

Ensure access to safer, nutritious and sufficient food



Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

Combat foodborne diseases and end preventable deaths

















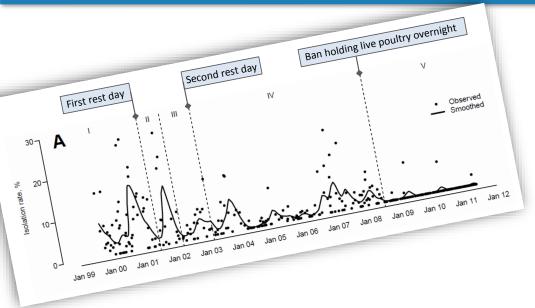




Food Safety

How Smarter Healthy Cities can improve food markets to protect the health of the population, and maintain the livelihood of vendors and suppliers?

Risk mitigation in traditional food markets





Intelligent Sterilization Robot (ISR) - HK

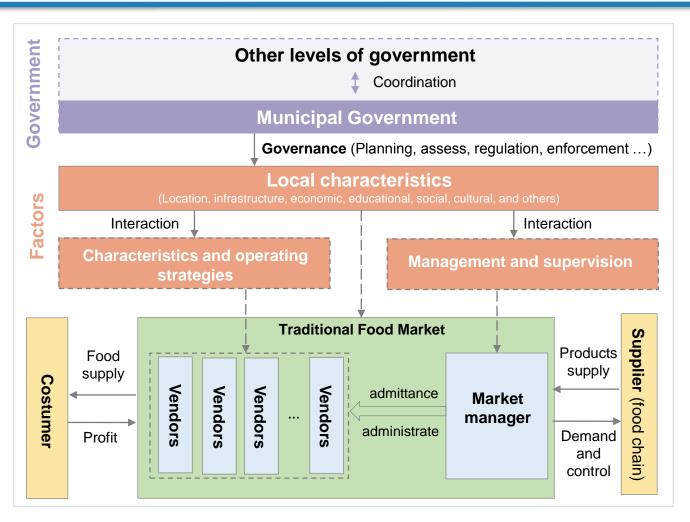




Ref. [17]; [18]

Regulation and enforcement

- Regulation at local level
- Tailored to the local context
- Considering all stakeholders
- Include regulation and control for trade of live wild and domestic animals
- Surveillance systems
- Multisectoral (One Health) approach



Ref. [19]; [20]

Communication for health in traditional food markets



Five keys to safer traditional food markets (prototype)

Basic hygiene



Keep clean

- Hand hygiene
- Wash and disinfect surfaces
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- m Proper waste disposal
- Organize a Rest day



Avoid contamination

- Zoning system: Avoid cross-contamination
- Cover: Cough or sneeze
- Avoiding contact between raw and ready-to-eat food

Specific measures



Keep food products safe

- Safe storage temperatures
- Store dry food products properly
- Trade only safe food products
- Hazardous chemicals separately from food



Avoid contact with animals

- Safest option: Restrict the trade of live terrestrial animals
- On stage as needed: Only animals authorized Separate areas: animals from food
- Animal health and hygienic manipulation

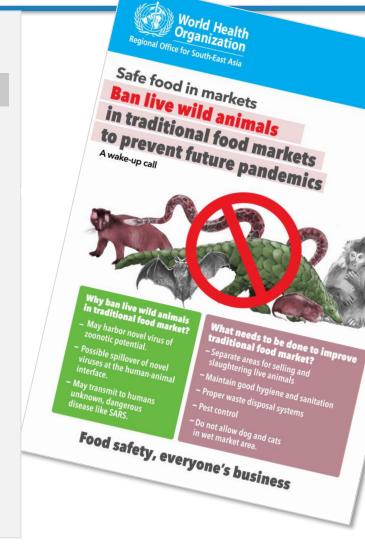


COVID-19 safe

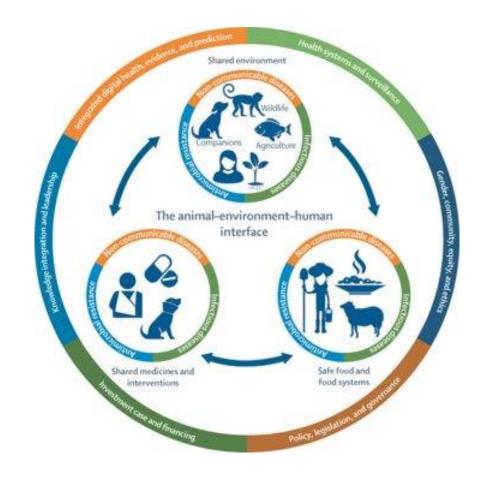
1-metre distance

Wearing a mask

Your place: Avoid the 3Cs



WHO work towards safer and healthier food markets



To detect, prevent and respond to emerging diseases at the human-animal-environment interface and to address food related public health issues more effectively through the One Health approach.

- International Health Regulations (2005)
- For the Future
- Asia Pacific strategy for emerging diseases and public health emergencies (APSED III)
- The International Food Safety Authorities Network INFOSAN
- Transforming food markets in the Asia Pacific region

Ref. [21]; [22]

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Thank you!



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#FoodMarkets are an important part of life in Asia & the Pacific but we need a multisector approach to mitigating public health risks.

Happy to speak to participants at our biregional meeting. Looking forward to working together to keep food markets safe for everyone!



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