



Sources of Food Safety Information

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Food Safety Information

- ✿ Food safety information is complex and diverse
- ✿ May contain regulatory, scientific, industrial, commercial and consumer concerns etc.
- ✿ Primary sources of food safety information depend
 - ★ On the user of information and
 - ★ On the level of food supply chain

Level of Food Supply Chain

| Level of Food Supply Chain | Sources of Information |
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| Supply of Agricultural Inputs e.g. Fertilizers, pesticides, animal feeding stuffs, veterinary drugs | Customs, Registrar of Pesticides, D/APH, |
| Primary Production e.g. farming, fishing, | D/Agriculture, M/Fisheries, D/APH |
| Primary Food Processing e.g. at farms, dairies, abattoirs, grain mills | Local Govt., D/Agriculture, |
| Secondary Food Processing e.g. canning, freezing, drying, brewing | Local Govt., D/Agriculture, |
| Food Distribution e.g. national/international, import /export | Customs, MoH, |
| Food Retailing/ Food Catering e.g. restaurants, street foods, supermarkets, shops | MoH, Local Govt., |
| Domestic Food Production | D/Agriculture, D/APH |



Sources of Information

- ★ Government food safety activities
- ★ Surveillance data
- ★ Outbreak investigations
- ★ Environmental information
- ★ Information coming under Codex, WTO, IHR
- ★ Research and development



Government Food Safety Activities

- ✿ Central Level
- ✿ Provincial and District Level
- ✿ Divisional Level



Government Food Safety Activities at Central Level

- ★ Formulation of policy, legislation procedures and standards related to food safety
- ★ Food safety surveillance
- ★ Food safety education
- ★ Food safety training



Government Food Safety Activities at Divisional Level

- ★ Registration of food handling establishments
- ★ Inspection and rating of food handling establishments
- ★ Sampling of food for analysis
- ★ Health educational activities



Sources of information

Government food safety activities at

★ Central level

- ★ Import inspection data
- ★ Registration data (e.g. Bottled water)
- ★ Surveillance data
- ★ Food standards data
- ★ Food safety training and education data

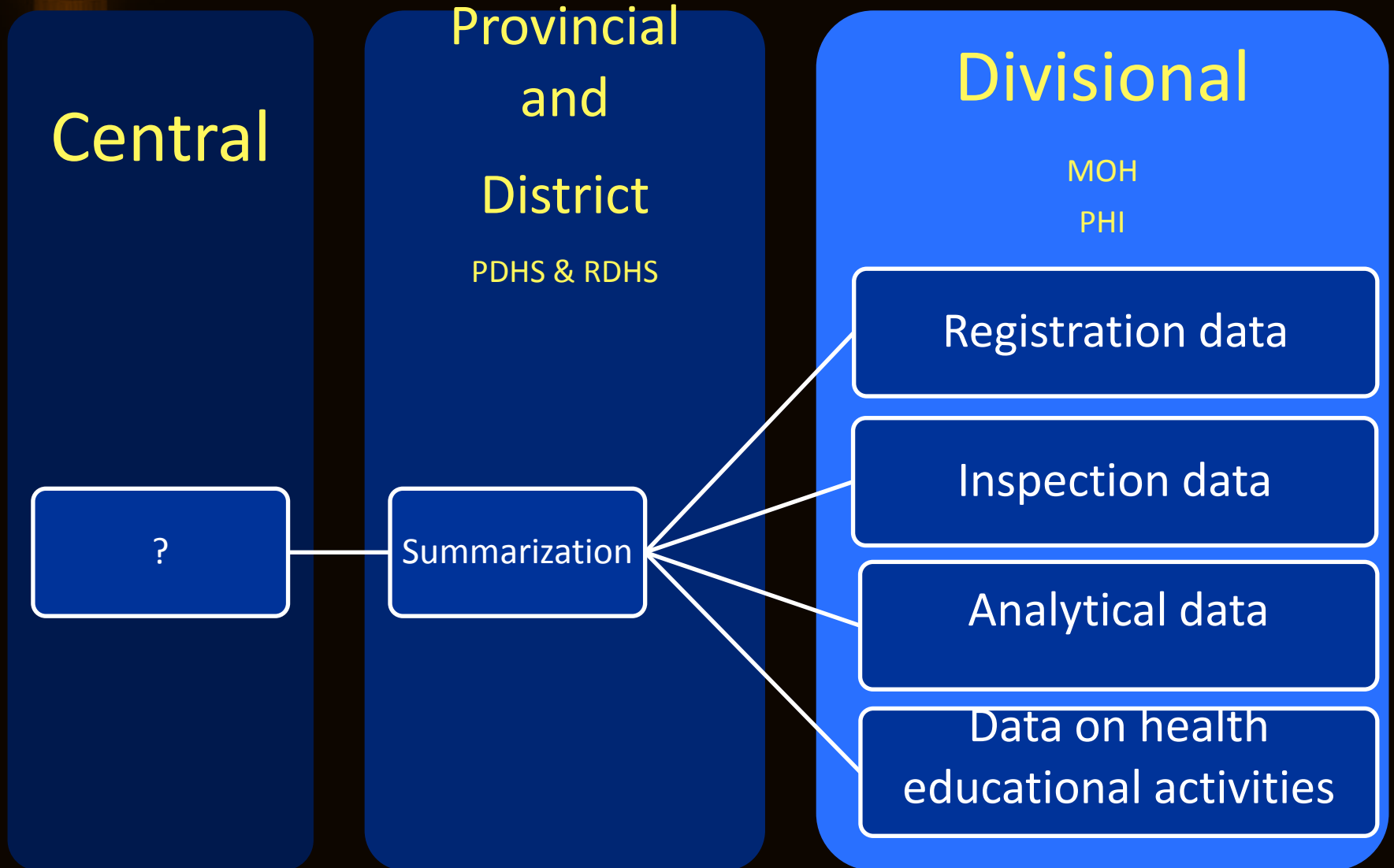
★ Provincial level

★ District level and

★ Divisional level

- ★ Registration data
- ★ Inspection data
- ★ Analytical data
- ★ Data on health educational activities

Flow of Information





Sources of information

- ★ Surveillance data
 - ★ Epidemiological surveillance of food born diseases
 - ★ Food safety surveillance
 - ★ Surveillance on iodization of salt
 - ★ Water quality surveillance
- ★ Outbreak investigations
- ★ Environmental information
 - ★ Levels of contamination (soil, water & air)
- ★ Information coming under Codex, WTO, IHR
- ★ Research and development



Other Sources of Information



Thank You !!!