

Question 1: Are you supportive of the use of import permits to allow kava importation to be controlled and monitored?

**Yes**

Question 2: what requirements or conditions do you think are responsible and necessary to be placed on commercial entities in order to allow them to import commercial quantities of kava?

**Requirements:**

- a) a beverage obtained by the aqueous suspension of kava root using cold water only, and not using any organic solvent, or
- b) dried or raw kava root.
- c) All wholesaler and retailer must have permit and license
- d) Have knowledge about the qualities of kava in pure form
- e) Proof of evidences for all wholesaler can supply the kava as necessary
- f) All wholesaler outside Australia must pay tax on quantities of kava
- g) Only allow kava to purchase or sell from license premises

**Conditions:**

- a) Kava must be pure kava powder only
- b) Kava bags must be labelled plus warning
- c) Kava bags must be packed in 1kg bags or 200g bags

Question 3: In addition to state and territory government restrictions on the supply and consumption of kava within their jurisdictions, what other restrictions should be imposed on holders of permits for importing kava into Australia?

**Restrictions:**

All permits holders must abide with the State and Territory Government Restrictions.

Question 4: Should kava be sold with further warnings about potential harm, such as those in the food standards? What are your views on what these warnings should be?

**YES,**

- A) Use in Moderation
- B) May cause drowsiness
- C) drink kava without food cause loss of weight and appetite
- D) drink kava without enough sleep cause nausea, laziness and sore red eyes
- E) drink kava without shower cause skin rash and loss of libido
- F) Consult GP before use Kava

Question 5: What are your views on the potential health, social and cultural impacts of kava, and do you have any evidence to share?

a) **My views on Health:**

Drinking Kava without eating well, good sleep, and hygiene will lead to poor health

b) **My views on Social:**

Drinking kava is more social in nature comparing to drinking alcohol. From my experiences as follow: In the beginning of drinking kava session, everyone talk louder, laughing and telling stories, In the middle of the session only a few will still talk and at the end of the session everyone will be quiet and would want to go sleep. Kava drinking in comparison to alcohol, everyone starts quietly, and conversations become louder and trouble follows in some cases. In facts, the more you drink alcohol the more violent you are, but the more you drink kava, fell relax and calmer.

c) **My views on Cultural:**

In sense of education perspectives, Australian is the multi-cultural nation and this is the opportunity for Australians to learned about other culture and also for others people to learn about the Australia's culture, especially aboriginals.

Question 6: Are you concerned about any particular risks that may be caused by allowing the commercial importation of kava?

NO

Question 7: Do you have any suggestions for how to limit any potential negative impacts or risks of using kava and / or commercially importing kava into Australia?

Enforcing the laws on commercial entities about their permit, license and regulation

Question 8: What benefits may be achieved from commercially importing kava into Australia?

- a) Australian Government foreign aid promotion
- b) Minimise the black market of Kava
- c) Minimise the aboriginal people using other illegal drugs like marijuana, ice etc
- d) More money stays in community
- e) Less violent compare to alcohol and other drugs
- f) Create employment for Aboriginal people
- g) Create educational system for aboriginal to learn about other culture

Question 9: What businesses may be involved in the commercial importation and supply of kava and how will kava potentially be priced, marketed and retailed?

- a) All logistics business
- b) cost of buying pure kava from suppliers and cost of freight plus GST should be taken into consideration in pricing
- c) Marketing can be on TV, Facebook, Newspaper and word of mouth
- d) Kava can be sold at any given shop who holds retail license to sell kava

Question 10: What methods should be used to monitor and evaluate the success and impacts of the pilot?

- a) tracking of imports and qualities of kava
- b) tracking of imports and quantities of kava
- c) keep and track records of kava being sold
- d) monitoring the use and quantities consumption by individuals with ID record

Question 11: What methods should be used to monitor and evaluate the health, social, economic and regulatory impacts of kava consumption during the pilot?

### **Economic:**

All licence holder should display permit, be held responsible for tax, GST. Create employment opportunities for Aboriginals community by keeping money in the community for other businesses and employment opportunities.

### **Health:**

- a) make sure there is proper place/area in the community to allow kava session to take place, clean, no smoking, no alcohol or any other drugs.
- b) For any individual who has been recommended by a Health provider not to consume kava will not be allowed to buy it
- c) Individual must be responsible for their health, hygiene and sleeping pattern, not to miss work due to kava consumption

### **Social:**

- a) make sure there is proper place/area in the community to allow kava session to take place for telling stories, singing practice and meet new people.
- b) Drink Kava in moderation

Question 12: Who may be able to contribute to the monitoring and evaluation of the pilot?

- a) The traditional landowner
- b) Licensee holder
- c) Police
- d) Health care worker
- e) Night patrol worker
- f) Community

Question 13: What data should be collected to effectively measure the health, social, and economic and regulatory impacts of kava?

- a) Data from health department
- b) Data from Police department
- c) Data from suppliers and retailer who purchase and sell kava
- d) Data from landowner and kava drinker information
- e) Data from sale and purchase of kava

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