Sri Lankan Brinjal Moju (Eggplant Pickle)

Sri Lankan Brinjal Moju (Eggplant Pickle) is a sweet, tangy, and spicy dish commonly served as a side dish with rice and curry.

Ingredients:

- 2 large brinjals (eggplants), sliced into thin strips
- 1 onion, thinly sliced
- 2 green chilies, sliced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon turmeric powder
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon mustard seeds
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 1 sprig curry leaves
- 1 teaspoon salt (adjust to taste)
- 1/4 cup oil (for frying)

Instructions:

- 1. Heat oil in a deep pan and fry the brinjal slices until golden brown and crispy. Drain excess oil.
- 2. In a separate pan, heat a little oil and add mustard seeds. Let them pop.
- 3. Add onions, garlic, green chilies, and curry leaves. Sauté until softened.
- 4. Add turmeric, chili powder, sugar, and vinegar. Mix well.
- 5. Add the fried brinjals and stir until coated in the spice mixture.
- 6. Season with salt and cook for another 2-3 minutes.

7. Let it rest for a few hours before serving to enhance the flavors.
Brinjal Moju can be stored in an airtight container for a few days. Enjoy it with rice, roti, or bread!