

No.8-131/2016-PP.II
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 27 December, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Relaxation of fumigation regulations for import of agricultural commodities – regarding.

Reference is invited to Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare letter No. 8-65/2012-PP.II dated 30th October, 2014 and Office Memorandum of even number dated 30.3.2017, 28.6.2017, 29.12.2017 and 25.6.2018, regarding relaxation in fumigation regulations for import of agricultural commodities into India. The competent authority in the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, has decided to extend the relaxation of fumigation regulations for import of agricultural commodities for which fumigation treatment with Methyl Bromide is stipulated in the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 (PQ Order, 2003) till 30th June, 2019, on the following conditions :-

- (i) The date of Bill of Lading in the country of export may be 30th June, 2019 or before;
- (ii) If fumigation treatment with Methyl Bromide is stipulated for that commodity in the PQ Order, 2003, it will be allowed without offshore Methyl Bromide fumigation from those countries, which certify discontinuance of this chemical for Phytosanitary measure;
- (iii) Penal fee in respect of those consignments will be charged, as prescribed in the PQ Order, 2003;
- (iv) The other conditions mentioned in the OM No.8-65/2012-PP.II dated 30th October, 2014, will remain unchanged;
- (v) Non-compliance reported in the import of such plants and plant products consignments will be dealt as per the provisions of PQ Order, 2003.

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1. Plant Protection Adviser, Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage, NH-IV, Faridabad, with the request to sensitize all stakeholders.
2. PPS to Secretary (SAC&FW)
3. PPS to AS(VM)/ PPS to JS(PP)
4. Director(IT), DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan with a request to upload the above OM in the website of the Ministry under the heading 'Documents' sub-head 'Circulars and Notifications,' 'Plant Protection'.