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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
(DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 20 November, 2013

S.O. (E). - In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Destructive Insects and Pests Act, 1914 (2 of 1914), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003, namely:-

1. Short title and Commencement.- (1) This Order may be called the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Fifth Amendment) Order, 2013.

(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In Schedule I of Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003, under the heading "Seaports", after serial number 39, and the entry relating thereto the following serial number and entries shall be added, namely :-
"40. Kattupalli (Tamil Nadu)".
3. In Schedule I, under the heading "Airports", after serial number 15, and the entry relating thereto the following serial number and entry shall be added, namely :-
"16. Cochin(Kerala)".
4. In the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003, in Schedule II, after serial number 63 and the entries relating thereto the following serial number and entries shall be added in the respective columns:-

64. Kattupalli	Tamil Nadu	Container Freight Station	Regional Plant Quarantine Station Chennai.
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5. In the Schedule V of the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 against serial number 1 relating to Banana, Plantain and Abaca (Musa spp.) in column 3 the item at (ii) and the entries relating thereto in columns (4), (5) and (6) shall be deleted.

6. Amendment of Schedule VI.- In the Schedule VI to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003,-

(i) Against serial number 222 relating to *Musa* spp.(Banana) in column (6) the existing entries shall be substituted by the following, namely:-

Special conditions of import
(6)
“Commercial imports subject to prior approval of DAC”.

(ii) Against serial number 503 relating to “*Prunus avium* (Stella Cherry)’ in column (3) against the entry regarding Rooted cuttings for propagation, in column (4) the entry shall be numbered as (i) thereof, and after the item (i) so renumbered and the entries relating thereto in column (5) and (6) the following item and entries shall respectively be inserted, namely :-

(4)	(5)	(6)
(ii) UK	Free from: a) <i>Apiognomonium erythrostoma</i> (cherry leaf scorch) b) <i>Arabis mosaic virus</i> (hop bare-bine) c) <i>Carnation ring spot virus</i> d) <i>Cherry leaf roll virus</i> (walnut ringspot) e) <i>Cherry rusty mottle disease</i> (cherry rusty mottle American) f) <i>Cherry virus A</i> g) <i>Choreutis pariana</i> (apple-and-thorn skeletonizer) h) <i>Conoirachelus nenuphar</i> (plum curculio) i) <i>Euproctis chrysorrhoea</i> (brown-tail moth) j) <i>Grapholita molesta</i> (oriental fruit moth) k) <i>Leucoptera malifoliella</i> (pear leaf blister moth) l) <i>Little cherry virus</i> m) <i>Operophtera brumata</i> (winter moth) n) <i>Orgyia antique</i> (European tussock moth) o) <i>Philaenus spumarius</i> (meadow froghopper) p) <i>Phytophthora crytogea</i> (tomato foot rot) q) <i>Pseudomonas viridiflava</i> (bacterial leaf blight of tomato USA) r) <i>Raspberry ring spot virus</i> (ring spot of raspberry) s) <i>Strawberry latent ring spot virus</i> (latent ring spot of strawberry) t) <i>Thekopsora areolata</i> (cherry spruce rust) u) <i>Tomato ring spot virus</i> (ring spot of tomato) v) <i>Venturia cerasi</i> (cherry scab) w) <i>Xyleborus dispar</i> (pear blight beetle) x) <i>Yponomeuta padellus</i> (cherry ermine moth)	i) Freedom from soil ii) Commercial imports subject to prior approval of Department of Agriculture & Cooperation iii) Post-entry quarantine growing for 6-9 months

(iii) Against serial number 7 relating to *Actinidia chinensis* and *A. Deliciosa* (Kiwi) in column (3) against the entries regarding ‘Fruits for consumption’, against the entry in column (4) relating to ‘Italy’, the existing entries in column (6) shall be substituted by the following, namely:-

Special conditions of import
(6)
“(i) Pest-free area status for Ceratitis capitata (Mediterranean fruit fly) as per international standards or (ii) MB fumigation @ 32 g/cubic metre for 3 ^{1/2} hrs at 210C or above or equivalent thereof or (iii) Pre-shipment/ In-transit cold treatment at 00C or below for 13 days; 0.550C or below for 14 days; 1.10C or below for 18 days plus in-transit refrigeration against Mediterranean fruit fly”.

[F.No.8-57/2012-PP.II]

(Utpal Kumar Singh)

Joint Secretary to the Government of India

Note : The Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 was published in the Gazette of India, vide, number S.O. 1322 (E) dated 18th November, 2003, and subsequently amended vide number S.O.167(E), dated 6th February 2004, S.O. 427(E), dated 29th March, 2004, S.O. 644(E), dated 31st May 2004, S.O. 263(E), dated 25th February 2005, S.O. 462 (E), dated 31st March 2005, S.O. 1121 (E), dated 14th July 2006, S.O. 1353 (E), dated 31st July 2006, S.O. 1873 (E), dated 31st October 2006, S.O. 2074 (E), dated 6th December 2006, S.O. 2069 (E), dated 3rd December, 2007, S.O. 3(E), dated 31st December, 2007, S.O. 2847 (E), dated 8th December, 2008, S.O. 2888 (E), dated 15th December, 2008, S.O. 2286 (E), dated 9th September, 2009, S.O. 2390 (E), dated 16th September, 2009, S.O. 3269 (E), dated 23rd December, 2009, S.O. 3298 (E), dated 24th December, 2009, S.O. 907 (E), dated 21st April, 2010, S.O. 2095(E), dated 27th August, 2010, S.O. 2284 (E), dated 15th September, 2010, S.O. 2516 (E), dated 11th October, 2010, S.O. 2711 (E) dated 4th November, 2010, S.O. 3052(E) dated 28th December, 2010, S.O. 887 (E) dated 28th April, 2011, S.O. No. 2845 (E) dated 21st December, 2011, S.O. No.296 (E) dated 17th February, 2012, S.O. 2775(E) 23rd November, 2012, S.O.799(E) dated 21st March, 2013, S.O.1378(E) dated 28th May, 2013, S.O.1531(E) dated 14th June, 2013 and S.O.2919(E) dated 26th September, 2013 .

To

The Manager,
Government of India Press,
Mayapuri, New Delhi.

F.No.8-57/2011-P.P.II
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated : 20th November, 2013

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Notification to be made in the SPS Committee of WTO regarding Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2013.

Please find enclosed the text of the draft notification (in WTO format) of the draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2013 proposing certain amendments to the phytosanitary conditions governing the import of certain plants and plant materials into India.

2. It is requested that further necessary action to notify the same to the WTO Secretariat may be taken at your end at the earliest and WTO notification number allotted by WTO Secretariat may please be intimated to this Department. The text of the notification containing the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2013 will be available at www.agricoop.nic.in under the Head "Circulars and Notifications" (Plant Quarantine Order and Amendments).

This issues with the approval of Joint Secretary (Plant Protection), Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.

(N.K. Sinha)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

Trade Policy Division,
(Shri Sanjay Arora, Under Secretary),
Room No. 423,
Department of Commerce,
Ministry of Commerce & Industry,
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Copy for information to :

1. Plant Protection Adviser, Dte. Of PPQ&S, Faridabad **enclosing herewith the text of the complete notification containing the draft 'Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2013' with the request to arrange to provide the hindi translation and to include the draft 'Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2013' in the consolidated version of the PQ Order, 2003.**

2. Sh. D.D.K. Sharma, APPA(PQ), Dte. Of PPQ&S, Faridabad with a similar request.

3. Sr. Tech. Director, NIC, R.No.349, Krishi Bhawan, **with the request to host the said draft notification as well as the WTO-SPS format on website www.agricoop.nic.in under the head "Circulars and Notifications" (Plant Quarantine Order and Amendments) and 'WTO Notification' as "Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Fifth Amendment), Order, 2013'(WTO Notification).**

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original

NOTIFICATION

1.	Member of Agreement notifying : INDIA
2.	Agency responsible : DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national scheduled deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition where applicable): Plants and Plant materials and other regulated articles as per Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 and its Amendments.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Listed trading partner countries, exporting Plants and Plant materials to India.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Title – Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Fifth Amendment) Order, 2013. Language – English Number of pages – 4
6.	Description of content : The Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Fifth Amendment) Order, 2013 seeks to further liberalize provisions governing import of three items notified under Schedule VI, 2 entry points in Schedule I, 1 inland entry point in schedule II and 1 item in Schedule V of the above order. This notification will further allow import of plants and plant materials into India. The details can be seen in the website www.agricoop.nic.in (Circulars and Notifications – Plant Quarantine Order and Amendments – Draft Plant Quarantine(Regulation of Import into India) (Fifth Amendment) Order, 2013 or can be obtained from the National Enquiry Point – Ms. Anita Puri, Deputy Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Room No. 233, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele/Fax : 91-11-23389714. E-mail : anita.puri@nic.in
7.	Objective and rationale : [] food safety, [] animal health, [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] plant protection [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] protect humans from animal/ plant pest or disease.

<p>[√] protect territory from other damage from pests.</p>
<p>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations.</p> <p>The contents of this notification are based on Pest Risk Analysis(PRA) conducted as per International Standards on Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) Numbers 2 and 11 of International Plant Protection and Convention (IPPC) of FAO.</p>
<p>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: ENGLISH</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption: This draft notification is to adopted on 1st February, 2014.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force : 1st February, 2014. (Tentative)</p>
<p>12. Final date of comments : 31st January, 2014.</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments :</p> <p>National Enquiry Point – Ms. Anita Puri, Deputy Secretary (Plant Protection), Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Room No. 233, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele/Fax : 91-11-23389714.E-mail : anita.puri@nic.in</p>
<p>13. Text available from :</p> <p>Website of the Plant Protection Division of the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India viz. www.agricoop.nic.in and www.plantquarantineindia.org And National Enquiry Point – Ms. Anita Puri, Deputy Secretary (Plant Protection), Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Room No. 233, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele/Fax : 91-11-23389714.E-mail : anita.puri@nic.in</p>