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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: INDIA
   If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules 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 Amendment
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Fifth Amendment) Order, 2016 Language(s): English Number of pages: 31 <a href="http://dahd.nic.in/trade">http://dahd.nic.in/trade</a>
- 6. Description of content: The Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Fifth Amendment) Order, 2016 seeks to further liberalize provisions governing import of items to be notified under Chapter II, Schedule VI, Schedule VII, Schedule IX, Schedule X, Schedule XIII, of the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003. This notification will further allow import of plants and plant materials into India.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
  - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)
  - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)
  - [X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)
    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 Convention (IPPC) of FAO.
  - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

## [X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The documents are available from the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries website: <a href="http://dahd.nic.in/trade">http://dahd.nic.in/trade</a> (available in English).
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 16 May 2016

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 23 May 2016 (tentative)
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 May 2016

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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