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Advisory on Integration of the module on TraceNet for Sampling and Analysis of pesticide residues including Ethylene oxide and other agrochemicals for export under NPOP

Dear Certification Bodies,

This has reference to the Advisory issued by APEDA on 24th May 2021 and 20th July 2021 regarding additional control measures to mitigate detection of residues in Organic Products.

Based on the risk assessment and high risk products identified, APEDA has made provisions for integration of the sampling and analysis procedure followed by the Certification Bodies on TraceNet.

In case of export of high risk products as notified vide above advisories and available in the dropdown list of the products meant for the export, the following provisions have been made before issuance of Provisional Transaction Certificate.

- 1. While creating the lot/batch for the high risk products for export, the system seeks confirmation whether the lot/batch is for export or domestic purpose.
- 2. If the lot/batch is meant for domestic purpose, the present process remains
- 3. If the lot/batch is meant for export purpose, the system will identify and display the product as "high risk product".
- 4. The Lot/Batch for such high risk products once created and forwarded to Certification Body for approval cannot be deleted and the quantity will be freezed if reported non compliant.
- 5. The Certification Body shall perform third party sampling and analysis based on the scope of recognition for pesticides residues, ETO and any other agro chemicals. The test report along with the details of analysis needs to be uploaded on TraceNet (in PDF format upto 1 MB). This activity needs to be completed within 15 days of receipt of request from the operator for lot/batch approval. If the Certification Body has not performed the activity within the stipulated time, action as deemed fit may be initiated.
- 6. If the lot/batch is compliant, the operator may process the application for PTC. The approved lot/batch shall be consumed by the operator within 90 days from the date of approval by the Certification Body.

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- In addition, if the consignment is destined to European Union, the details of Certificate
 of Inspection (COI) issued through TRACES need to be uploaded on TraceNet by the
 Certification Body. For high risk products, copy of CoI need to be uploaded on TraceNet.
- 8. For traders, the batch for any transactions needs to be approved by the Certification Body along with the expiry date. The expiry date of the products transacted by the trader co-terminates with the expiry approved by the supplier Certification Body.

The above provisions have been made with immediate effect on TraceNet.

The Certification Bodies may intimate your operators on the above requirements and provision made on TraceNet.

In case of any operational issues, may refer to the user manual or contact TraceNet Helpdesk system.

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