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## Subject: Advisory on amended EU Regulation for certification and trade of organic products

To All Certification Bodies,

As you all are aware, the European Commission has amended the EC regulation 834/2017 and the revised Regulation 848/2018 has already been notified.

The Certification Bodies are advised to follow the production rules based on equivalence agreement with EU for certifying the operators under NPOP. It is also advised that the Certification Bodies may follow the verification procedure and record keeping for certification and issuance of CoI's to the operators as per the amended EU Regulation.

The European Commission has issued a separate regulation for certification of Grower group, EU Regulation 771/2021 which may be followed for certifying the grower groups.

On 01.12.2021, European Commission has issued another Regulation 2021/2119 laying down detailed rules on certain records and declarations required from operators and groups of operators and on the technical means for the issuance of certificates.

APEDA is also in the process of side by side comparison of amended EU regulation with NPOP. However, Certification Bodies may provide their inputs on the major amendments for further deliberation and uniform implementation.

Since the revised regulation is implemented from 1st January, 2022 onwards all Certification Bodies are advised to ensure the compliance and the inputs may be provided by 16th December, 2021.

The Regulations have been hosted on APEDA website under icon NPOP/Announcement/EU.

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To all CB's

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