

Telegram: Fumigation



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To,
All Exporters/PCO/CHA
(As per list attached)

Date: 22.02.2013

Subject: Issuance of PSC Fumigation of Agriculture commodities

Sirs,

It has been observed that the exporters are sending consignments meant for export regularly by using non porous packaging material /PP bags. Loaded containers with the agricultural commodities (such as Rice, & Rice Bran wheat flour etc.) packed in PP bags are generally placed in container for inspection as well as fumigation supervision to the PQ Deptt., which is not a correct procedure as due to non porosity of the packaging material, fumigation is done only in respect of container.

A large no of non compliances are being communicated to our competent authority/HQRS from the country of export regularly, which is not only delaying the clearance/deportation/destruction of consignment but also affect the credibility of Indian trade.

It is advised that all the exporter and Pest Control Operator to get inspection & fumigation of the exportable cargo before packing in such bags strictly with effect from 01.03.2013 or use jute bags/porous bags instead of PP bags for proper fumigation and to avoid non-compliances from off shore.

In case of non compliance of above instruction/advice the issuance of proper Phytosanitary Certificate by this office will not be possible as the treatment of such packed commodities is invalid. Strict action will be taken against the concerned PCO appointed by the exporter for issuing of fumigation certificates for the commodities packed in PP bags.

Yours faithfully

(V.K.Sharma)

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Copy for information to: Plant Protection Advisor, DPPQS, Faridabad.
(Kind attention - JD (PQ) as discussed).