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Agricultural and Processed Food Products
Export Development Authority

(Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India)

#### ADVISORY FOR EXPORTERS OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES TO UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE)

FFV-2011-12-000102-Dated: 17.05.2016

# SUBJECT: REQUIREMENTS OF PESTICIDE RESIDUES REPORT FOR EXPORT OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES TO UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Dear All Exporters,

In a recent communication received from the Ministry of Climate Change & Environment, United Arab Emirates, it has been informed that fruits and vegetables coming from India showed high levels of pesticide residues exceeding the permitted limits of in accordance with international standards adopted by the Codex Alimentarius Commission. In light of this, it has been decided by UAE that for the sake of the health and safety of consumers' entry of chilli peppers, mango and cucumber, they will not allow the shipment of these products without accompanying a residue analysis report with each consignment w.e.f 01.05.2016.

In order to avoid any difficulties at the point of entry in UAE, the exporters are requested to adhere to the Office Memorandum issued by the Plant Protection Adviser, Directorate of Plant Protection Quarantine and Storage, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture (copy enclosed).

In accordance with above directives, exporters are advised to strongly adhere to the import requirement of UAE mentioned in the circular of NPPO and not make any shipments without violating above stipulated conditions.

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कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय/Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare कृषि, सहकारिता एवं किसान कल्याण विभाग/Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare वनस्पति संरक्षण, संगरोध एवं संग्रह निदेशालय/Directorate Of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage एनएच 4, फरीदाबाद (हरियाणा )- 121 001/ N.H.-IV, Faridabad (Haryana) - 121 001

Dated: OS May, 2016

# OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Requirement of pesticide residue report for export of fruits and vegetables to United Arab Emirates - reg.

Recently a communication has been received from the Ministry of Climate Change and Environment, United Arab Emirates (UAE) for the presence of high level of pesticide residues (exceeding the permitted limits) particularly in chilli, peppers, mango and cucumber consignments. To this effect UAE has made mandatory to accompany residue analysis report with each consignment w.e.f. 01.05.2016 for the sake of health and safety of consumers. The repeated presence of residues will lead to stoppage of export of these commodities to UAE and in turn our trade will be affected.

Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare has also taken a serious view on the matter. Therefore, you are advised to issue the Phytosanitary Certificates (PSCs) for fruits and vegetables consignments exported to UAE only after production of test report on pesticide residues by any of the APEDA recognized laboratories. List of APEDA recognized laboratories is available under Quality section of APEDA website (www.apeda.gov.in). Maximum residue limits fixed by CODEX/ FSSAI should be the base reference for endorsing test report on PSCs.

Plant Protection Adviser

To

1. All PSC issuing authorities for information and compliance.

2. Joint Secretary (PP). DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan. New Delhi for kind information w.r.t. Letter No. 17-4/2016-PP.II dated 19.04.2016