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Regulation (EU) No 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures governing the entry into the Union of certain goods originating from India

EC has issued new directives/ additional checks on commodities originating from India as per the following details:

- 1) Curry leaves (*Bergera/Murrava koenigii*) to be taken from Annex I to Annex II with a frequency of identity and physical checks established at 50% upon its entry into the Union. Consignments of curry leaves from India will therefore be subject to special conditions in addition to the increased level of official controls. It shall be accompanied by an official certificate stating that the products have been sampled and analysed for pesticide residues and by the results of sampling and analyses showing compliance with Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticide residues (<https://www.fsai.ie/uploadedFiles/Legislation/Food Legislation Links/Pesticides Residues in food/Regulation EC No 396 2005.pdf>).
- 2) EC has raised concerns with regards to the export of groundnuts to the EU on account of risk of contamination by aflatoxins. As per (EU) 2022/913, frequency of identity and physical checks on Indian peanuts and its products has been increased to 50% (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022R0913>).
- 3) Betel leaves (*Piper betle* L.) will be subject to increased level of official controls by national competent authorities at the their entry into the Union but it has been taken from Annex II to Annex I Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 where consignments are not required to be accompanied by an official certificate and the results of sampling and analyses performed by the third country of origin. The frequency of identity and physical checks established at 30% upon entry to Union.
- 4) Peppers of the genus *Capsicum* (sweet or other than sweet) is currently listed in Annex II Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 where the frequency of identity and physical checks is to decrease from 20% to 10%. The official controls by Member states and the available information show improvement in compliance with relevant Union legislation requirements as regards contamination by aflatoxins.

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