



कृषि और प्रसंस्कृत खाद्य उत्पाद
निर्यात विकास प्राधिकरण
(वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)

**Agricultural and Processed Food Products
Export Development Authority**
(Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India)

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ADVISORY

ADVISORY FOR EXPORTERS OF VEGETABLES TO SAUDI ARABIA.

SUBJECT: DETECTION OF RESIDUES OF PESTICIDES IN VEGETABLE CONSIGNMENTS FROM INDIA TO THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA.

Reference is drawn to our advisory dated 30th July, 2012 and 5th May 2013 hosted on our website concerning higher than permissible levels of residues of pesticides in vegetables consignments shipped to Saudi Arabia. In view of this, the authorities in KSA had introduced the requirements of test report from reputed laboratories in India for any consignment of vegetables shipped from India to Saudi Arabia. In this regard we had issued advisory on our website dated 30th July, 2012 and 5th May, 2013.

It has been brought to our notice by authorities of KSA that in some recent consignments of vegetables, there have been interceptions of higher than permissible levels of residues of pesticides in vegetable consignments from India. They have intimated that if this situation persists, **they are going to take strong action in the near future.**

Exporters are advised to strongly adhere to the import requirements of Saudi Arabia and not make any shipments without getting the product tested prior to export and found to be compliant.