



कृषि और प्रसंस्कृत खाद्य उत्पाद

निर्यात विकास प्राधिकरण

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**Agricultural and Processed Food Products
Export Development Authority**

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

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To all APEDA registered exporters,

APEDA's Agriculture Export Promotion Plan Scheme under Sub-Component 5 of its Scheme of Quality Development, provides financial assistance to exporters for reimbursement of 50% of the cost up to a ceiling of Rs.5,000/- per sample for testing of samples in cases where *residue monitoring activity are implemented by APEDA*.

In order to control residues of agrochemicals beyond prescribed limits in fruit (*Grapes, Mango & Pomegranate*) and vegetables (*Okra, Bitter Gourd, Brinjal, Curry leaves, Drumsticks and Green Chillies*) for export from India to EU as well as other countries like where the testing of pesticides residue is required, it has been decided to implement the scheme w.e.f. 01.04.2016.

The following terms and condition will be applicable:

- (a) the export shipment is be routed through the APEDA recognized pack house;
- (b) the sample to be tested in APEDA recognized Laboratory only;
- (c) the assistance will be at 50% of the cost of testing subject to a ceiling of Rs.5,000/- per sample and will be available on reimbursement basis;
- (d) the assistance will be available only for testing of the *first sample* from a particular farm. In the event of any re-sampling, the entire cost will have to be borne by the exporter;
- (e) the application will have to be filed in the prescribed FAS format by the applicants and sent to APEDA in the same financial year; and,
- (f) Documents to be submitted as per Financial Assistance Schemes (FAS) guidelines.

The exporters are requested to submit the applications to APEDA accordingly for reimbursement of lab testing charges for export of above mention fruits & vegetables to EU and other countries like where the testing of pesticides residue is required during 2016-17 season.

Detailed procedure for claiming the financial assistance under the Scheme has already been hosted under Promotion of Quality and Quality Control: Sub-Component 5: 4.A.5 "Testing of water, soil, residues of pesticide, veterinary drugs, hormones, toxins, heavy metal contaminants in agricultural produce/ products "including all fruits and vegetables, processed fruits and vegetables, other processed foods, floriculture, animal products, cereals etc".

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