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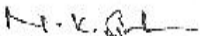
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Alleged Malachite Green contamination in Indian export consignments of Rapeseed Meal exported to China -reg.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of letter no. EIC/D (Q/C)/T-1(MOU) China/2011/7109 dated 30th December, 2011 received from Export Inspection Council of India, New Delhi on the subject mentioned above and to say that Joint inspection team of EIC has concluded that source of malachite green contamination in rapeseed meal is green markings on Jute bags.

2. It is therefore, requested to issue an advisory to all exporters not to use green markings on jute bags. Also, Phytosanitary Certificate Issuing Authorities may be advised to check for green markings on jute bags to obviate interceptions on account of detection of malachite green.

3. Food Safety & Standards Authority of India may also take measures to stop use of green markings on Jute bags.


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