To,

1. The Director, APEDA, 3rd Floor, NCUI Building, Plot No.3, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Opp. Asiad Village, New Delhi - 110 016;
2. The Director (Agro Processing and Agri Business), Sakhar Sankul, Shivajinagar, Pune - 411 005.
3. The Director of Horticulture, Govt. of Maharashtra, Shivajinagar, Pune - 411 005.
4. The Director of Horticulture, Govt. of Karnataka, Lalbagh, Bangalore - 560 004.
5. The Commissioner of Horticulture, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Public Gardens, Hyderabad - 500 004.

Sub: Registration of grape farm/plot of new varieties under the Pesticide Residue Monitoring Programme of the APEDA – reg.

Sir,

This has reference to the registration of grape farm/plot of new varieties under the Pesticide Residue Monitoring Programme of the APEDA. The Institute Variety Releasing Committee in its meeting convened at this office on 14th November 2008 have taken decision to release a clonal selection of introduced Centennial Seedless variety of table grapes of USA (California) (identified by the Institute as A17-3) as “Manjri Naveen” and other introduced variety “Red Globe” for commercial cultivation in Maharashtra and adjoining grape growing states. These varieties were evaluated for their performance with progressive grape growers in Maharashtra and Karnataka. This plant material was given to many grape growers in Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh for performance evaluation on their farm in their region from 2002. Their detailed list is enclosed herewith for your kind reference and perusal while considering their registration cases for export purpose, if any.

This Institute has no objection in case of only these farmers to register these new varieties for export since they have received genuine plant material from us. However, the cases of other farmers approaching to register these varieties for export purpose have to be examined to establish/identify their source of obtaining these varieties. The procedure suggested above may kindly strictly be complied in cases of registration of new grape varieties for export at your end. This communication is only confined to the newly released grape varieties of the Institute i.e. “Manjri Naveen” and “Red Globe”.

A receipt of this letter may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

(P.G. Adsule)
Director

Encl.: As above.