

# **RECOGNITION CRITERIA**

## **FOR**

### **LABORATORIES**



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### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Globalization has increased demand of fresh and processed food products in international market. In order to ensure safety, quality and wholesomeness of food products it is necessary to analyze these products for various parameters as established safe by the regulators as well as desired by the consumers.

The manufacturing units have their own in house laboratory for analysis of quality parameters of raw and processed food products. To comply with food safety requirements, analysis of residues of chemicals such as pesticides, drugs & antibiotics, heavy metals, aflatoxin levels, microbiological analysis, genetically modified organism (GMO) analysis, physical analysis, etc., the laboratories recognised by APEDA shall provide services to exporters to facilitate the trade. A network of private and public sector commercial testing laboratories at different production and processing regions of the country as well as overseas laboratories has been envisaged through these recognition criteria.

### **2.0 SCOPE**

2.1 The scope of these criteria shall be for the following analysis parameters:

- a) Chemical Analysis
- b) Microbiological Analysis
- c) GMO Analysis

2.2 The above parameters shall cover the following APEDA scheduled products for the purposes of sampling, analysis, residue monitoring, etc. for exports of APEDA scheduled products:

- 1) Fresh fruits and vegetables
- 2) Processes fruits and vegetables
- 3) Cereals (rice, wheat, maize) and products
- 4) Meat, poultry, dairy products & honey
- 5) Nuts & oilseeds (walnuts, groundnuts) and products
- 6) Guar Gum
- 7) Pulses
- 8) Other processed foods
- 9) GMO analysis

2.3 In case of existing laboratories recognised by APEDA, these criteria shall be complied with by the laboratories.

### **3.0 OBJECTIVES**

- 3.1 Objectives of the laboratory recognition by APEDA is to create network of laboratories to cater to the needs of exporters for sampling, analysis, and residue monitoring plans implemented by APEDA for exports of APEDA scheduled products or any other products as specified by the Government of India.
- 3.2 Laboratories recognised by APEDA shall cater to APEDA registered exporters for sampling, analysis; residue monitoring plans for exports of APEDA scheduled products as per the laid down procedures by APEDA from time to time.

### **4. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANT LABORATORY**

- 4.1 The applicant laboratories shall have complete range of chemical, microbiological and GMO analysis before applying to APEDA for recognition.
- 4.2 Applications for partial recognition (except for GMO analysis) shall not be entertained.
- 4.3 Incomplete applications, misleading information, etc. shall summarily be rejected by APEDA.
- 4.4 The successful laboratories would be accorded recognition for:
- a) Chemical, microbiological and GMO analysis for the products specified by APEDA.
  - b) Premises only where actual analysis is being carried out shall be recognised. In case analysis is carried out at more than one premise, recognition of all these facilities shall have to be obtained.

### **5.0 COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR LABORATORY RECOGNITION**

- 5.1 The laboratories shall comply with the following before applying to APEDA:
- a) High precision GC-MS/MS, HPLC-MS/MS, ICP-MS, etc. with appropriate back-up, supporting equipments as well as accessories.
  - b) ISO/IEC-17025 accreditation with scope of residual analysis for APEDA products for chemical, microbiological, GMO analysis alongwith validated methods.
  - c) Technically qualified personnel with appropriate training and updation on methods of sampling and analysis as per national and international methods of sampling and analysis for fresh and processed food products.
  - d) Sensitized personnel for sample drawl, preparation of samples for analysis as well as analysis.
  - e) Control sample retention storage in controlled temperature of appropriate capacity
  - f) Method validation for sampling and residual analysis, participation in P.T. programs, estimation of uncertainty, traceability, etc.

5.2 The laboratories seeking GMO analysis recognition shall also comply with the following in addition to the above. The laboratories shall submit list of experts, method of sampling and list of equipments as well as any other relevant information that would be appropriate for analysis of GMO in agro products. The following basic criteria shall be met by the applicant laboratories:

- a) The laboratories shall have basic equipments like RTPCR, DNA sequencer, etc.
- b) The laboratories shall have validated method of sampling and analysis for GMO
- c) The laboratories shall have relevant expertise to analyze GMO products in terms of technically qualified personnel
- d) The laboratories shall have ISO-/IEC-17025 accreditation for GMO analysis

## **6.0 PROCEDURE FOR LABORATORY RECOGNITION AND RENEWAL**

- 6.1 The laboratory seeking APEDA recognition shall submit application completed in all respect along with application fee to APEDA New Delhi in **Form-I**.
- 6.2 The laboratory shall submit list of equipments in **Form-II**.
- 6.3 The laboratory shall submit list of professionally qualified personnel in **Form-III**.
- 6.4 A copy of the laboratory quality manual covering requirements of ISO/IEC-17025 shall be submitted by the applicant laboratory.
- 6.5 Copies of SOPs on methods of sampling and analysis as well as evidence to sensitized team for drawl of product samples retention facility in controlled temperature shall be submitted by the applicant laboratory.
- 6.6 Sampling and analysis charges for each product shall also be submitted together with application by the applicant laboratory.
- 6.7 Each application received in APEDA shall be considered by APEDA based on the requirements for having a laboratory recognised for scheduling an assessment of the laboratory.
- 6.8 Once the need for having a laboratory recognized has been established, an assessment team shall be nominated by APEDA.
- 6.9 The assessment team shall carry out witness audit of the laboratory and submit assessment/surveillance report of the laboratory as per format given in **Annexure-I**.
- 6.10 Recognition to successful laboratories would be granted for analysis for the products based on the instrumentation and manpower availability for chemical, microbiological and GMO analysis.
- 6.11 The assessment team shall submit its report to APEDA along with its recommendations. On the basis of the assessment report of the assessment team, APEDA shall decide whether to recognize the laboratory.

- 6.12 After assessment, if the laboratory does not qualify for recognition the laboratory shall be eligible to reapply only after six months after establishing all corrective measures.
- 6.13 The recognised laboratories shall not sub-contract any part of sampling and analysis to the laboratories that are not recognised by APEDA for the same scope of recognition. In case of sub-contracting, a written approval shall be obtained from APEDA.
- 6.14 Laboratory Recognition Certificate shall be issued as per **Form-IV** alongwith scope of recognition for sampling and analysis.
- 6.15 The successful laboratory shall participate in P.T. programs organized by respective National Referral Laboratory (NRL) nominated by APEDA from time-to-time for the purposes of following harmonized methods of sampling and analysis.
- 6.16 The successful laboratory shall be part of the traceability programs implemented by APEDA or any other agencies nominated by APEDA for the products specified by it from time-to-time and abide by the procedures to be complied therewith such as uploading of data, chromatograms, etc. as announced by APEDA or the NRL.
- 6.17 The laboratory shall be audited for following harmonized methods of sampling, sample preparation and analysis purposes. The laboratory shall also be audited by Directorate of Marketing and Inspection for the purposes of authorization for issue of Agmark Grading Certificate.
- 6.18 In case the laboratory does not comply with the laid down procedures, APEDA shall be at liberty to recommend to the respective accreditation body or any other relevant organization to suspend accreditation of the laboratory.

## 7.1 ASSESSMENT AND ASSESSMENT TEAM

- 7.2 The assessment team shall be nominated by APEDA for on-site witness audit of the laboratory pertaining to verification of methods of sampling and analysis. The team so nominated shall conduct audit; follow up audits, if needed as well as surveillance of the laboratory. The assessment team shall submit report and their recommendations of each audit to APEDA.
- 7.3 The composition of assessment team would be from the APEDA panel of assessment team for testing laboratories, the team shall be independent and impartial conforming to requirements of recognition.
- 7.4 With regards to assessment and surveillance assessment of overseas applicant laboratories, the expenditure of the assessment team on travel, stay, and incidental expenses shall be borne by the applicant laboratory on actual basis. Nomination of assessment team shall be based on scope of recognition applied for.

## 8.0 VALIDITY OF RECOGNITION

- 8.1 Generally the recognition shall be valid for a period of four years. Validity of the laboratory recognition shall be specified on the recognition certificate. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) shall be signed by the laboratory stating the terms and

conditions of recognition as laid down in paras 5.1, 5.2, and 6.1 to 6.18. Specimen format of the MOU is given in **Annexure-II**.

8.2 Effective date of recognition shall be as mentioned in the recognition certificate.

8.3 APEDA shall host list of recognised/derecognized laboratories in its website www.apeda.com circulate to registered exporters and other concerned.

## **9.0 SURVEILLANCE AND REVALIDATION OF RECOGNITION**

9.1 Bi-annual surveillance shall be carried out by the assessment team nominated by APEDA. The assessment team shall submit a report as per format given in Annexure-I.

9.2 Onus of surveillance shall be of recognised laboratories failing which the recognition shall automatically get cancelled.

9.3 The renewal of recognition shall be based on the requirement of test facilities at that particular laboratory and the satisfactory performance reported as per the surveillance/periodic inspection carried out during the validity period.

## **10.0 APPLICATION, SURVEILLANCE AND REVALIDATION FEE**

10.1 Processing fee of Rs. 1,18,000/- (Rupees one lakh eighteen thousand only) in case of Indian laboratories and US\$ 5,000 (US Dollar five thousand only) in case of overseas laboratories (non- refundable) shall be submitted in the form of bankers' cheque or demand draft payable to APEDA, New Delhi along with the application.

10.2 The recognised laboratories shall submit biannual surveillance fee of Rs. 59,000/- (Rupees fifty nine thousand only) in case of Indian laboratories and US\$ 2,500 (US Dollar two thousand five hundred only) in case of overseas laboratories (non-refundable) alongwith surveillance application. The recognised laboratories that do not apply for surveillance shall be automatically derecognized.

10.3 Laboratories shall apply for revalidation of recognition after expiry of four years of recognition alongwith a renewal fee of Rs. 1,18,000/- (Rupees one lakh eighteen thousand only) in case of Indian laboratories and US\$ 5,000 (US Dollar five thousand only) in case of overseas laboratories (non-refundable) .

## **11.0 ISSUE OF RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE**

11.1 In case, assessment team satisfies that the laboratory conforms to the requirements, it will recommend recognition of the laboratory.

11.2 Any change in the layout, design or capacity of the laboratory shall be intimated to APEDA.

11.3 The recognition once issued shall continue to be in force till the date specified in the certificate unless derecognized by APEDA. APEDA may institute surprise checks through its officers in order to ensure that the laboratory has maintained the standard as required.

## **12.0 REFUSAL/CANCELLATION OF LABORATORY RECOGNITION**

12.1 Issue of recognition may be refused or, if issued, may be cancelled or suspended:

- a) If the laboratory does not conform or fail to perform as per requirements.
- b) If there are adverse reports from the financial institutions/banks against any of the owner/directors/partners/trustees.
- c) If skilled/semi-skilled personnel are not available to manage the laboratory.
- d) If there are adverse reports from the exporters, importers, etc.
- e) Any other complaints made to APEDA by any other entity.
- f) On expiry of the recognition date specified in the Recognition Certificate.

12.2 In case the laboratory does not comply with the laid down procedures, APEDA shall be at liberty to recommend to the respective accreditation body or any other relevant organization to suspend accreditation of the laboratory.

## **13.0 APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL/CANCELLATION OF RECOGNITION**

13.1 In case of cancellation of recognition, appeal shall accompany original certificate.

13.2 Chairman, APEDA will consider the application on merit and, in case, found necessary, order re-assessment of the laboratory during which time the non-compliances pointed out by assessment team should be rectified by the laboratory.

Place: New Delhi  
Date: 06.12.2010

(Asit Tripathy)  
Chairman APEDA

**APPLICATION FORM FOR RECOGNITION, SURVEILLANCE & RENEWAL**

1.	Laboratory Name & Address Phone/Fax/E-Mail contact person	
2.	Applying fresh (in case of surveillance and renewal of recognition) please give recognition validity with due date of surveillance	
3.	Date of incorporation (please enclose proof)	
4.	Is the laboratory accredited to ISO/IEC-17025 for APEDA scheduled products as per internationally accepted methods of sampling and analysis for:  a) Residues of pesticides and other chemicals b) Residues of heavy metals and other contaminants c) Residues of drugs and antibiotics d) Aflatoxins contamination e) Microbiological analysis f) GMO analysis  (Please enclose copies of ISO/IEC-17025 certificate and scope conforming to above)	
5.	List of products presently being analyzed by laboratory, please tick  1) Fresh fruits and vegetables 2) Processed fruits and vegetables 3) Cereals (rice, wheat, maize) and products 4) Meat, poultry, dairy products & honey 5) Nuts & oilseeds (walnuts, groundnuts) and products 6) Guar Gum 7) Pulses 8) Other processed foods 9) GMO analysis	
6.	List of equipment	Please attach Form-I
7.	Manpower details	Please attach Form-II
8.	Has the laboratory sampled and analyzed produces for residues of pesticides, heavy metals, drugs & antibiotics, aflatoxins, GMO and microbiological analysis during the recent past?	
9.	Total number of samples analyzed during the last three years pertaining to products at Sr. No. 5	



10.	Details of control sample retention storage in controlled temperature	
11.	Products interested for sampling and analysis, please tick:  1) Fresh fruits and vegetables 2) Processes fruits and vegetables 3) Cereals (rice, wheat, maize) and products 4) Meat, poultry, dairy products & honey 5) Nuts & oilseeds (walnuts, groundnuts) and products 6) Guar Gum 7) Pulses 8) Other processed foods 9) GMO analysis	
12.	Details of application fee in favour of APEDA, New Delhi  a) Bankers' cheque/demand draft No. .... Dated .... Rs 1,18,000 b) Remittance advise or bankers' cheque of US\$ 5,000	

### DECLARATION

- (a) I/we, \_\_\_\_\_ declare that I/we have read and understood the recognition criteria for laboratories with APEDA and have complied with the same in respect of my/our laboratory.
- (b) I/we, \_\_\_\_\_ declare that I/we have read and understood application recognition criteria for laboratories with APEDA and have complied with the same in respect of my/our laboratory located at \_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) I/we, agree to the publication of the name of my/our laboratory in the list of APEDA recognized laboratories.

### UNDERTAKING

I, \_\_\_\_\_ also agree to follow the conditions of recognition stated in this scheme and also agree to abide by any instructions that may be issued by APEDA in this respect from time to time and get my above laboratory inspected whenever called on to do so by the Authority. I also understand that non-compliance will entail cancellation of Recognition Certificate issued to my/our laboratory.

### VERIFICATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above information is complete and correct and that I agree to abide by the conditions laid down in this behalf.

DATE:  
PLACE:

AUTHORISED SIGNATORY  
NAME & DESIGNATION

(Affix Common Seal of the Laboratory)

**Form - II****ANALYSIS EQUIPMENT DETAILS**

Sr. No.	Name of equipments alongwith detectors & date of purchase	Model Year of make	Range & accuracy	Date of last calibration	Due date of next calibration

**Form - III****DETAILS OF PROFESSIONALLY QUALIFIES STAFF**

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Academic & professional qualification	Experience

## Format for laboratory assessment and surveillance

1	Date of assessment	
2	Name of the laboratory	
3	Address	
4	Contact details and contact person	
5	Legal identify/ establishment date	
6	Accreditation and validity	
7	Products and tests for which accreditation is obtained	
8	Adequacy of equipments and reference standards	
9	Equipments are in working order ?	
10	equipments repair and maintenance system ?	
11	Sub-contracting	
12	Sample collection facility	
13	Adequacy of technical/ trained personnel ?	
14	Work instructions and procedures	

15	Technical capability and Competence	
16	General environment cleanliness and hygiene	
17	Analysis methods standard	
18	Whether methods of analysis validated	
19	Library facilities	
20.	Control sample retention facility in controlled temperature	
21	Sample receipt & disposal system	
22	P.T. programs	
23	Complaint re-address system	
24	Remarks recommendations and conclusion:	

Signature  
Name of  
Team member

Signature  
Name of  
Team member

Signature  
Name of  
Team member

Date:  
Place:

**SPECIMEN FORMAT FOR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN  
AGRICULTURAL AND PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS EXPORT DEVELOPMENT  
AUTHORITY AND THE LABORATORY**

(On stamp paper of appropriate value duly notarized)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), nullifying all previous MoUs is executed at New Delhi on \_\_\_\_\_, between Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority, through its Chairman Shri \_\_\_\_\_, NCUI Building, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas New Delhi 110016 (hereinafter referred to as APEDA) of one part and \_\_\_\_\_(laboratory) who has been duly authorized by means of \_\_\_\_\_dated \_\_\_\_\_to sign and execute this MoU, \_\_\_\_\_(laboratory).

With importance being given world over to food safety and quality, APEDA the Apex body for promoting export of agriculture and food products is providing third assurance support to the agri and food export industry through its scheme of recognition of laboratories. The laboratory, in addition, to providing analysis reports/certificates, would also focus on R&D activities, providing training needs and other such activities leading to quality improvement for exports.

M/s \_\_\_\_\_(name of laboratory) is an organization/laboratory, legally identifiable, registered by an appropriate Registration Authority and/or commercial testing laboratory having quality systems as per international standards, with an objective to undertake sampling and analysis.

**1. RECOGNITION**

1.1 APEDA and \_\_\_\_\_, have arrived at an understanding and arrangement whereby APEDA recognizes \_\_\_\_\_for carrying out the following :

- a) The laboratories shall have to carry out analysis of food products as required by APEDA/exporters/manufacturers for the purpose of monitoring pre shipment analysis at a cost mutually agreed with the respective organizations.
- b) Conducting sampling, analysis and issue of analysis certificates with regard to following agriculture and food products, meant for the purposes of exports:
  - 1) Fresh fruits and vegetables
  - 2) Processes fruits and vegetables
  - 3) Cereals (rice, wheat, maize) and products
  - 4) Meat, poultry, dairy products & honey
  - 5) Nuts & oilseeds (walnuts, groundnuts) and products
  - 6) Guar Gum
  - 7) Pulses
  - 8) Other processed foods
  - 9) GMO analysis

**2. BOTH PARTIES FURTHER MUTUALLY AGREE THAT**

2.1 The recognition granted by virtue of this MoU by APEDA to \_\_\_\_\_, shall remain valid for a period of four year subject to periodic review/surveillance as felt necessary by APEDA.

- 2.2 APEDA shall have full power and authority to maintain, suspend or withdraw recognition and increase or reduce the scope of recognition or required pre-assessment in the event of changes effecting the laboratories activities and operations such as changes in personnel or equipment or if analysis of complaints or any other information indicates that the laboratory no longer compiles with the requirements of APEDA.
- 2.3 APEDA shall not be liable for any legal or financial liabilities for any item/product product analysis involving/resulting in accident/damage to personnel/equipment/products at any time and that the same shall be the sole liability and responsibility of\_\_\_\_\_.

### **3. CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO THE LABORATORY**

- 3.1 The laboratory shall offer to its clients, services consistent with the criteria for which it has been recognized by APEDA. The laboratory shall not at its discretion refuse to sampling and analysis to any APEDA registered exporters for the purpose of exports of APEDA products.
- 3.2 The laboratory shall issue analysis reports to the party within a maximum period of 5 days (excluding the period of analysis).
- 3.3 The laboratory shall issue analysis reports/certificates in line with the standard format or as desired by the client.
- 3.4 The analysis charges for each product/group of products for APEDA registered exporter shall be fixed in consultation with APEDA and shall be valid during the currency of the recognition of the laboratory.
- 3.5 The sampling and analysis charges for a product shall be the same for each exporter. However, when additional parameters are reported, the charges may differ.
- 3.6 The laboratory shall inform APEDA immediately about any major changes/break down of equipment affecting analysis of any relevant products for which recognition has been granted.
- 3.7 The laboratory shall agree to participate in proficiency testing/inter laboratory testing organized by APEDA/APEDA nominated organization for assessing the technical competence of the laboratory. The charges for this shall not be paid by APEDA or its nominated organization.
- 3.8 The laboratory shall offer full cooperation and facilities to APEDA personnel/APEDA nominated personnel for:
- a) Periodic review/surveillance activities
  - b) Undertaking any checking to verify analysis
  - c) Offering access to relevant areas of the analysis for witnessing.
  - d) Participation in any appropriate programme of proficiency testing and inter-laboratory comparisons of various APEDA recognized laboratories.
  - e) Activities relating to training
  - f) Activities relating to Research & Development

- 3.9 The laboratory shall not use or publicize the recognition in such a manner as to cause any disrepute to APEDA and shall not make any statement relevant to its recognition which APEDA may reasonably consider to be misleading.
- 3.10 The laboratory shall not use or publicize recognition after its validity period is over and in case of de-recognition.
- 3.11 Recognition does not qualify the laboratory to approve a particular product but to give an analysis report/certificate on the basis of the analysis conducted. In case of sub-contracting of analysis, the laboratory shall do so with the prior approval of APEDA obtained in writing. However, the sub-contracting shall have to be from APEDA recognized laboratory for the similar scope of recognition.
- 3.12 The laboratory shall send periodic monthly information to APEDA about all samples analyzed for exports as related to items listed in para 1.1 (b) of the MoU.
- 3.13 The laboratory shall initiate surveillance and revalidation of recognition failing which the recognition shall automatically get cancelled.
- 3.14 APEDA shall have access to all data relating to export analysis and the same shall be provided by the laboratory as and when required by APEDA.
- 3.15 The laboratory shall agree to host APEDA sponsored programs as may be informed from time-to-time by APEDA.
- 3.16 The laboratory shall not undertake partial analysis (except for GMO analysis).
- 3.17 The laboratory shall not sub-contract any part of sampling and analysis to the laboratories that are not recognised by APEDA for the same scope of recognition. In case of sub-contracting, a written approval shall be obtained from APEDA.
- 3.18 The laboratory shall participate in P.T. programs organized by respective National Referral Laboratory nominated by APEDA from time-to-time for the purposes of following harmonized methods of sampling and analysis.
- 3.19 The laboratory shall be part of the traceability programs implemented by APEDA or any other agencies nominated by APEDA for the products specified by it from time-to-time and abide by the procedures to be complied therewith such as uploading of data, chromatograms, etc. as announced by APEDA or the NRL.
- 3.20 The laboratory shall be audited periodically as per criteria by APEDA. The laboratory shall be audited by the NRL for following harmonized methods of sampling, sample preparation and analysis purposes. The laboratory shall also be audited by Directorate of Marketing and Inspection for the purposes of authorization for issue of Agmark Grading Certificate.
- 3.21 In case the laboratory does not comply with the laid down procedures, APEDA shall be at liberty to recommend to the respective accreditation body or any other relevant organization to suspend accreditation of the laboratory and take legal action.

#### **4. POWERS OF APEDA**

APEDA may de-recognize the laboratories at any time during the recognition period for either of the following reasons:

- a) If the laboratory is not co-operating with the APEDA registered exporters for carrying sampling and analysis.
- b) The laboratory does not carry out analysis appropriately and take corrective steps as required by APEDA.
- c) If the laboratory is found divulging information to other parties and not maintaining adequate confidentiality pertaining to the samples under analysis and analysis results.
- d) The laboratory and its personnel are found to be not free from any commercial, financial or other pressures, which might influence the analysis results.
- e) If the laboratory works directly or indirectly against the interests of APEDA in any form of manner.

#### **5. MISCELLANEOUS**

- 5.1 In case of dispute or difference arising out of or in connection with this MoU, the same be settled through mutual discussions between APEDA and\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5.2 The MoU can be terminated by either side by giving one month notice in writing to the other party.
- 5.3 Only the Courts of Delhi shall have the jurisdiction to entertain any suits/petitions etc. in the event of the same being filed by either party.
- 5.4 This MoU signed as hereunder shall be effective for a period of four year from the date of signing and can be extended for another four years by executing a fresh MoU after the expiry of this period.
- 5.5 The laboratory shall initiate process of revalidation before expiry of the original recognition at least 15 days in advance.

Signed for and on behalf of  
APEDA

Signed for and on behalf  
of the laboratory

Date:

Place:

Witnesses:

1.

2.



**AGRICULTURAL AND PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS  
EXPORT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
(MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)**

**RECOGNITION OF LABORATORY FOR EXPORT ANALYSIS**

This is to certify that the laboratory described below has been recognized by APEDA and considered to be competent to meet the required levels of analysis.

1. Recognition No. :
2. Recognition date :
3. Name & address of laboratory :
4. Recognition validity upto :
5. Surveillance due date :
6. Recognition Status  
b) Chemical Analysis and/or :  
b) Microbiological Analysis and/or :  
c) GMO Analysis :
7. Scope of recognition is enclosed

For and on behalf of APEDA

Place: New Delhi

Date:

**DIRECTOR**

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**Enclosure to Form - IV**

**SCOPE OF RECOGNITION**

(as applicable)

- 1) Fresh fruits and vegetables
- 2) Processes fruits and vegetables
- 3) Cereals (rice, wheat, maize) and products
- 4) Meat, poultry, dairy products & honey
- 5) Nuts & oilseeds (walnuts, groundnuts) and products
- 6) Guar Gum
- 7) Pulses
- 8) Other processed foods
- 9) GMO analysis

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