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## ADVISORY

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**Temporary increase of official controls governing the entry of certain goods into the EU from India – Inclusion of drumstick, yard long beans and bottle gourd**

Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 ("governing Regulation") governs the import conditions for certain food products from non-EU countries due to identified risks from contaminants such as pesticide residues. **Annex I** of the governing Regulation lists products subject to increased frequency of identity and physical checks at EU borders.

Annex II of the governing Regulation lists products subject to increased frequency of identity and physical checks at EU borders along with official certificate issued by the competent authority and laboratory testing results from the country of origin or dispatch.

Both Annex I and Annex II prescribe the frequency of identify and physical checks for various products and for various countries and the particular hazard intended to be checked.

The EU conducts a review of the frequency checks bi-annually based on notifications generated by the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF), third country monitoring reports and Member state inspection data.

The EU has recently conducted the 12th Review of the governing Regulation. Subsequent to this review, the EU issued European Regulation (EU) 2025/1441 dated 18 July 2025 amending the frequency checks for certain products originating from India. The changes are summarized in the table below:

S. No	Product	Relevant Annex of the governing Regulation	Frequency of identity and physical checks
1.	Drumsticks ( <i>Moringa oleifera</i> )	Shifted from Annex I to Annex II	30%
2.	Yardlong beans ( <i>Vigna unguiculatassp. sesquipedalis</i> , <i>Vigna unguiculata</i> )	Shifted from Annex I to Annex II	50%
3.	Bottle gourd	Newly included in Annex I	20%

The increase in official controls is attributed to high rate of non-compliance with the relevant regulatory requirements prescribed by the EU with respect to various contaminants such as aflatoxins, pesticide residues in exceeding levels resulting in a high number of RASFF alerts.

The Regulation will be implemented with effect from 20 days of its notification. However, consignments of drumsticks and yard long beans originating in India and dispatched (whether from India or a third country) before may enter the EU until 12 October 2025 without being accompanied by the results of sampling and analyses and the official certificate required to be provided along with the consignments.

The full list of the products listed in Annex I and Annex II and pertaining to products originating in India, along with the details of the frequency of identity and physical checks and the identified hazard is annexed to this advisory.

It is brought to the attention of all exporters from India that the EU keeps revising the frequency of checks and the products under import control from time to time. All exporters are advised to keep themselves updated on revisions effected to the parent Regulation, which is available at [https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg\\_impl/2019/1793/oj/eng](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2019/1793/oj/eng)

In view of the above, exporters from India are advised to take appropriate measures to ensure that exported commodities from India meet the relevant regulatory requirements prescribed by the EU. Any violations notified in RASFF shall be followed by appropriate action by the competent authority as per the Standard Operating Procedure To Handle Rapid Alert (RASFF) and Complaints For APEDA Scheduled Products (available at [https://apeda.gov.in/hindi/sites/default/files/export\\_procedures/SOP\\_RASFF-Complaints-for-APEDA-Products\\_0.pdf](https://apeda.gov.in/hindi/sites/default/files/export_procedures/SOP_RASFF-Complaints-for-APEDA-Products_0.pdf)).

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## Annex 1

S. No	Commodity	CN code	(1) TARIC subdivision	Hazard	Frequency of identity and physical checks (%)
1.	Betel leaves ( <i>Piper betle</i> L.) (Food)	ex 1404 90 00	10	<i>Salmonella</i>	50
2.	Okra (Food – fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 99 90 ex 0710 80 95	20 30	Pesticide residues	30
3.	Rice (Food)	1006	Aflatoxins and Ochratoxin A	5	Rice (Food)
			Pesticide residues	10	
4.	Guava ( <i>Psidium</i> <i>guajava</i> ) (Food)	ex 0804 50 00	30	Pesticide residues	30
5.	Peppers of the genus <i>Capsicum</i> (sweet or other than sweet) (Food – dried, roasted, crushed or ground)	0904 21 10 ex 0904 22 00 ex 0904 21 90 ex 2005 99 10 ex 2005 99 80	11; 19 20 10; 90	Aflatoxins	10
6.	Bottle gourd ( <i>Lagenaria</i> <i>siceraria</i> ) (Food – fresh and chilled)	ex 0709 93 90	10	Pesticide residues	20

## Annex II

S. No.	Food and feed (intended use)	CN code(1)	TARI C sub - division	Hazard	Frequency of identity and physical checks (%)
1.	Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell	120241		Aflatoxins	50
	Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled	1202 42 00			
	Peanut butter	2008 11 10			
	Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved, including mixtures	2008 11 91			
		2008 11 96	40		
		2008 11 98	50		
		ex 2008 19 12	40		
		ex 2008 19 19	50		
		ex 2008 19 92			
		ex 2008 19 95			
		ex 2008 19 99			
	Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of groundnut oil	2305 00 00			
	Groundnut flours and meals	ex 1208 90 00	20		
	Groundnuts paste	ex 2007 10 10	80		
		ex 2007 10 99	50		
		ex 2007 99 39	07; 08		
2.	Peppers of the genus <i>Capsicum</i> (other than sweet) ( <i>Food - fresh, chilled or frozen</i> )	ex 0709 60 99 ex 0710 80 59	20 20	Pesticide residues	30
3.	Sauces and preparations thereof; mixed condiments and mixed seasonings; mustard flours and meals and prepared mustard ( <i>Food</i> )	2103		Pesticide residues	2103



4.	Drumsticks ( <i>Moringa oleifera</i> ) (Food fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 99 90 ex 0710 80 95	10 75	Pesticid e residues	30
5.	Yardlong beans  ( <i>Vigna unguiculata</i> ssp. <i>sesquipedalis</i> , <i>Vigna</i> <i>unguiculata</i> ssp. <i>unguiculata</i> ) (Food - fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)	ex 0708 20 00 ex 0710 22 00	10 10	Pesticid e residues	50