

**Agricultural and Processed Food Products  
Export Development Authority (APEDA)  
(Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India)**

**June 17, 2014**

**TRADE NOTICE**

**Export of Rice (Basmati and Non Basmati) to Iran**

1. Government of Islamic Republic of Iran, Food and Drug Administration Food Products and Beverages Assessment Department General have issued Executive Instructions for Source Registration Method, Issue Health Permit for Imports, Importing Permit, Rice Discharge vide Code: FB-Pr-1392-002 dated December 18, 2013. The import of rice into Iran w.e.f. March 21, 2014 would be monitored in accordance with these Executive Instructions.
2. The details of documents to be provided by the import applicants for source registration of foreign rice processing and packaging factories as provided in para 5 of the Executive Instructions is given in Annexure I for guidance of the exporters of rice from India to Iran for facilitating their registration as source.
3. Details of certificates /documents required for issue of Import and Clearance Permit as provided in para 7 of the Executive Instructions is given in Annexure II.
4. Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India vide Office Memorandum F.No.6/2/2014-EP(Agri.IV) dated June 13, 2014 has nominated APEDA as Competent Authority to issue a consolidated certificate covering the following requirements:

- i) Health Certificate
  - ii) GMO Free Certificate
  - iii) Phenol Residual Free Certificate
  - iv) Adaptation of Heavy Metal and Mycotoxin Certificate accompanied by details of test result in accordance with the Revised National standards of Iran under No.13120.
5. Exporters of rice from India to Iran are required to submit samples of rice from export consignments for testing to one of the laboratories recognised / approved by APEDA. The list of recognised / approved laboratories is given in Annexure III.
6. Exporters will submit an application to APEDA for obtaining certificate as per para 4 above in the format provided at Annexure IV with a payment of Rs. 2000/- per consignment/certificate. The payment will be made in favour of APEDA by Demand Draft. Certificate will be issued by APEDA as per format given in Annexure V.
7. In case of export of Basmati rice, contracts of export will be registered by the exporter with APEDA in accordance with Trade Notice dated July 5, 2012 as amended from time to time.

Santosh Sarangi  
Chairman & Secretary

## Annexure I

### **Documents to be provided with import application for source registration (Para 5 of Executive Instructions)**

<b>Para No.</b>	<b>Certificate/document</b>	<b>To be provided by</b>
5.1	Written application of the applicant company	Format in Attachment-I of the Executive Instructions
5.2	Completed check-list of application for issuance of import health permit	Format in Attachment-II of the Executive Instructions
5.3	Articles of Association of the company	To be provided by the importer
5.4	Documents of Plant and Product Master File	To be provided by production factory as per Attachment-III of the Executive Instructions
5.5	Certificate issued by the Legal Competent Authorities of the country of origin including confirming health and safety of rice, health and technical conditions of processing and packaging factory, permission for exports to the other countries from the country of origin	To be provided by the Producing Unit
5.6	One of the Food Safety Certifications approved by an authentic accreditation body which is sealed by the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran (ISO 22000:2005/HACCP/IFS/BRC)	If none of these certifications is possessed, factory can be inspected by Inspection Team of Food and Drug Administration
5.7	Free Sale original certificate issued by the Competent Public Organisations, sealed by Embassy of Islamic Republic of Iran	Beside the exporting Public Organisations the certificate may be issued by the Production Factory approved by the Competent Public Authorities and sealed by Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran
5.8	Certificate of the Operation of Agency issued by Ministry of Commerce or Commercial Registration of the Product	To be supplied in Iran by the importing company
5.9	Product Analysis Certificate	To be provided by the producing Unit as per the

		latest requirements of the rice quality and health specifications
5.10	Notarised undertaking for ensuring health of the imported rice	To be provided by the importer as per Format at Attachment-IV of the Executive Instructions
5.11	Two copies of the Persian label	
5.12	Copies of receipt for product and source registration paid	To be provided by the Importer
In case of application by another company for registration of the product in a different brand from the source already registered, submission of documents 5.4,5.5 and 5.6 is exempted.		

## Annexure II

### **Documents for Issue of Import and Clearance Permit (Para 7 of the Executive Instructions)**

Para No.	Certificate/document	To be provided by
7.1	Health certification	To be issued by APEDA (competent public organisation designated by Ministry of Commerce & Industry) on the basis of product analysis report issued by one of the approved labs
7.2	Phyto-sanitary certification	To be issued by NPPO as per current practice
7.3	GMO Free certification	To be issued by APEDA on the basis of confirmation by Ministry of Environment and Forest that no commercial trials are approved for rice in India
7.4	Phenol residual – free certification	To be part of Lab test report
7.5	Adaptation of heavy metals and mycotoxins certification accompanied by details of the test results in accordance with the latest revision of National Standards of Iran under No.13120	To be part of Lab test report
7.6	No mention in the Executive Instructions	Appears to be typographic error
7.7	Product analysis sheet	From one of the APEDA approved labs
7.8	Copy of import health permit	To be provided by Importer

Note-7: Certificates 7.1,7.2, 7.3,7.4,7.5,7.6 may be issued either jointly in one certification or severally as approved by the competent public authorities and organisations and Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Note-8: It is required to insert the specifications mentioned in paragraph 5.11, tracking code of the product, and production series on the packages from the Country of Origin and the Cargos without specifications may not be cleared from the customs.

### Annexure III

List of laboratories having competence for sampling & analysis of mycotoxins, pesticide residues and heavy metals in rice

No	Name of the laboratory
1	AES Laboratories (P) Ltd. B-118 Phase-II NOIDA 201304 Tel: 0120-3047900, 2562645 Fax: 3047914 <a href="mailto:vishal.arora@aeslabs.com">vishal.arora@aeslabs.com</a> ;
2	Arbro Pharmaceuticals Limited Analytical Division 4/9 Kirti Nagar Industrial Area New Delhi 110 015 Tel : 011-45754575, 9871700488 Fax: 45754545 <a href="mailto:arbrolab@arbropharma.com">arbrolab@arbropharma.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:saurabharora@arbropharma.com">saurabharora@arbropharma.com</a> ;
3	Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services India Private Limited (BVCPS) F-2 Phase-III Thiruvika Industrial Estate Ekkattuthangal Guindy Chennai 600 032 Tel: 044-4967 4000 Fax: 044-22491651 <a href="mailto:enquiry@sargamlabs.com">enquiry@sargamlabs.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:accounts@sargamlabs.com">accounts@sargamlabs.com</a> ;
4	Choksi Laboratories Limited 6/3 Manoramaganj Indore 452 001 Tel: 0731-4243888, 2493592/3 Fax: 0731-2490593 <a href="mailto:v.choksi@choksilab.com">v.choksi@choksilab.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:indore@choksilab.com">indore@choksilab.com</a> ;
5	Delhi Test House A-62/3 GT Karnal Road Industrial Area Opp Hans Cinema Azadpur Delhi 110 033 Tel : 011-27437327, 27435509, 27427672, Telefax: 27435509, 27437327 <a href="mailto:info@delhitesthouse.com">info@delhitesthouse.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:dg@delhitesthouse.com">dg@delhitesthouse.com</a> ;
6	Envirocare Labs Pvt. Ltd. A-7 MIDC Wagle Industrial Estate Main Road Thane 400 604 Tel: 022-25838286-88 Fax: 25838289 <a href="mailto:info@envirocare.co.in">info@envirocare.co.in</a> ;
7	Geo Chem Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. Pragati, Adjacent to Crompton Greaves Kanjur Marg(E) Mumbai 400 042 Phone: 022-61915100 Fax: 022-61915101 <a href="mailto:neel@geochemgroup.com">neel@geochemgroup.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:sureshbabu.p@geochem.net.in">sureshbabu.p@geochem.net.in</a> ; <a href="mailto:laboratory@geochem.net.in">laboratory@geochem.net.in</a> ;
8	Interfield Laboratories XIII/1208, Interprint House Kochi 682 005 Tel: 0484-2217865, 2210915, 221838 <a href="mailto:mail@interfieldlaboratories.com">mail@interfieldlaboratories.com</a> ;
9	MicroChem Silliker Pvt. Ltd. MicroChem House A-513 TTC Industrial Area MIDC Mahape Navi Mumbai 400 701 Tel: 022-27787800 <a href="mailto:deepa@microchem.co.in">deepa@microchem.co.in</a> ; <a href="mailto:drbala@microchem.co.in">drbala@microchem.co.in</a> ;

	ajit@microchem.co.in;
10	National Collateral Management Services Limited (NCMSL) D. No. 4-7-18/6B 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Raghavendra Nagar Nacharam Hyderabad 500 076 Tel: 040-27176840 ganesh.r@ncmsl.com; vidya.k@ncmsl.com;
11	T A Labs Private Limited No. 17 New Street Kottur Chennai 600 085 Tel: 044-24474505, 64551505 ubharatraj@trueanalytica.com; talabs@trueanalytica.com; ubharatraj@gmail.com;
12	TUV India Pvt Ltd. Survey No: 423/1 & 3/2 Near Pashankar Auto (Baner) Sus-Pashan Road Pune 411 021 Tel: 020-67900000 vkgupta@tuv-nord.com; foodlab@tuv-nord.com; mumbai@tuv-nord.com;
13	Shriram Institute for Industrial Research 19 University Road Delhi 110007 Tel: 011-27667267, 27667860, 27667436 Fax: 27667676, 27667207 sridlhi@vsnl.com;
14	Shriram Institute for Industrial Research 14-15 Sadarmangla Industrial Area Whitefield Road Bangalore 560 048 Tel: 080-28410172, 28410165/166/167 Fax :28410189 sribglr@vsnl.com; sribglr@bgl.vsnl.net.in;ark@shriraminstitute-bangalore.org;
15	SGS India Pvt. Ltd. Opposite to State Bank of India 28 B/1 (SP), 28 B/2 (SP) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Main Road Ambattur Industrial Estate Chennai 600 058 Tel: 044-66693109 Fax: 24963075 av.Abraham@sgs.com; manojit.pal@sgs.com;
16	Vimta Labs Ltd. Plot No. 5 SP Biotech Park Genome Valley Shameerpet Mandal RR District Hyderabad 500 078 Tel: 040-39848484 Fax: 27263657 ashutosh.mittal@vimta.com; quality@vimta.com;

**Annexure IV**

**Application for issue of certificate for export of rice to Iran as per Executive Instructions for Source Registration Method, Issue Health Permit for Imports, Importing Permit, Rice Discharge vide Code: FB-Pr-1392-002 dated December 18, 2013.**

To  
Cereals Division  
APEDA

Exporter's Name and Address	
APEDA RCMC No. & Date	
IEC Code	
Importer Name and Address	
Product of Export	
Quantity of Export Consignment	
LC/Contract Details	
Port of Origin	
Destination Port	
Name of the Laboratories issuing Test Certificates	
No. and Date of the Test Reports (copies to be enclosed)	
Details of Payment of Rs. 2000/-	DD No.      Date      Issuing Bank

**Annexure V**

**CERTIFICATE**

This certificate is issued on request of the exporter M/s. ....  
for export of rice to Iran in accordance with Executive Instructions for  
Source Registration Method, Issue Health Permit for Imports,  
Importing Permit, Rice Discharge vide Code: FB-Pr-1392-002 dated  
December 18, 2013.

1. Health certificate:  
As per the test report No. .... Date .....issued by M/s. ....  
(one of the laboratories recognised by APEDA) product is fit for  
human consumption.
2. GMO free certification:  
No commercial trials have been permitted by Government of  
India from GM rice. Therefore, rice grown in India is GM free  
there is no cause of concern with regard to possible GM  
contamination of Indian rice.
3. Phenol residual- free certification:  
As per the test report No. .... Date .....issued by M/s. ....  
(one of the laboratories recognised by APEDA, product is free  
from Phenol residue.
4. Adaptation of heavy metals and mycotoxins certification:  
As per the test report No. .... Date .....issued by M/s. ....  
(one of the laboratories recognised by APEDA) product meets the  
standards prescribed by Iran for heavy metals micotoxins with  
latest revision of National Standards of Iran under No. 13120.

New Delhi

Date:

Authorised Signatory  
Agricultural and Processed Food Products  
Export Development Authority (APEDA)  
( Ministry of Commerce & Industry),  
Government of India