No.8-325/2019-PP-I1 Government of India Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 7th May, 2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Relaxation of fumigation regulations for import of agricultural commodities — reg.

Reference is invited to Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare letter No. 8-65/2012-PP.II dated 30th October, 2014 and Office Memorandum No. 8-1 31/2016-PP.II dated 30.03.2017, 28.06.2017, 29.12.2017, 25.06.2018 and Office Memorandum of even number dated 01.07.2019, 30.12.2019, 19.06.2020, 16.12.2020, 04.08.2021 and Office Memorandum No. 8-325/2019-PP-II dated 15.12.21 regarding relaxation in fumigation regulations for import of agricultural commodities into India. The competent authority in Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare has decided to extend the relaxation of fumigation regulations for import of agricultural commodities for which fumigation treatment is stipulated in Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 (PQ Order, 2003) till 6th May, 2023 on the following conditions:

- i. The date of bill of lading in the country of export may be 6th May, 2023 or before.
- ii. The present order will not affect the relaxations given in respect of pulses vide Office Memorandum No. 18-9/2021-PP.II (e-104300) dated 05.03.22.
- iii. If fumigation treatment with Methyl Bromide is stipulated for that commodity in the PQ Order 2003, it will be allowed without offshore Methyl Bromide fumigation from those countries, which certify discontinuance of the chemical for phytosanitary measure.
- iv. Additional fee in respect of those consignments will be charged as prescribed in the PQ Order, 2003.
- v. The other conditions mentioned in the O.M. No. 8-65/2012-PP.II dated 30th October, 2014 will remain unchanged.
- vi. Non-compliance reported in the import of such plants and plant products consignments will be dealt as per the provisions of PQ Order, 2003.

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To All concerned

Copy to:

- 1. The Plant protection Advisor, DPPQ&S, NH-IV, Faridabad with a request to sensitize all stakeholders.
- 2. PPS to Secretary (DA&FW)
- 3. PPS to JS (PP)
- 4. Under Secretary (IT), DA&FW, Krishi Bhawan with a request to upload the above OM in the website of the Ministry under the Heading 'Documents' sub-head 'Circulars and Notifications. Plant Protection'.