

Minutes of the 105th EXIM Committee meeting for Export and Import of Seeds and Planting Materials held under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (A&C), Government of India, DAC at 11.00 A.M. on 1st August, 2006.

The 105th meeting of the EXIM Committee for Export and Import of Seeds and Planting Materials was held at 11.00 A.M. on 1st August, 2006 under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (A&C), DAC and the meeting was attended by officers from ICAR, Horticulture Division of DAC, PP Division and other organizations. The list of participants is annexed as Annexure-I.

Item No1 & 1A. Action taken report of 104th EXIM Committee meeting held on 29th June, 2006.

The Committee noted the Action Taken Report with regard to issuing recommendation letters for export/import of seeds and planting material as had been recommended by the 104th EXIM Committee meeting held on 29th June, 2006. The committee also discussed the status paper on Onion seeds, which had been prepared by the Horticulture Commissioner, DoAC. (Copy of the status paper prepared by the Horticulture Commissioner, DoAC had not been provided for use of Seeds Division). The representative from Horticulture Division, ICAR assured that the status paper in connection with production of Oil palm seeds will be sent to the Seeds Division in due course of time.

Item No.2 Proposal for Export of total 17,000 kgs. Hy. Onion Seeds C.V. Orient (12000 kgs), Red Passion (3,000 kgs) and Onion Seeds c.v. Solist (2000 kgs) to the Netherlands by Bejo Sheetal Seeds Pvt. Ltd., Bejo Sheetal Corner, Mantha Road, Jalna-431 203.

ItemNo.3 Proposal for Export of total 4700 Kgs Onion Seeds C.V. Poona Red - 3,000kgs, Dark Red-1,000 kgs and Safal 555-700 kgs to France by M/s. Safal Seeds & Biotech Limited, PO Box 39, A-2, Old M.I.D.C., Jalna-431 203.

Item No.4 Proposal for Export of 70,000 Kgs Onion Seeds C.V. Nasik Red to Pakistan by M/s. Safal Seeds & Biotech Limited, PO Box 39, A-2, Old M.I.D.C., Jalna-431 203.

Item No.5: Proposal for Export of total 50 MT Onion Seed C.V. Nasik Red(N-53) – 25 MT, Poona Red - 20 MT and AFDR – 5 MT to Bangladesh by M/s. Bharat Nursery Pvt. Ltd., 60A, Arabinda Sarani, Kolkata-700 005.

Item No.6: Proposal for Export of 70 MT Onion Seed C.V. N-53 to Pakistan by M/s. Bharat Agro Overseas(India), A-64, Industrial Area, G.T. Karnal Road, Delhi-110 033.

Item No.7: Proposal for Export of 20 MT Onion Seed C.V. Nasik Red to Gujranwala, Pakistan by M/s.Rama Krishna Seeds, 145, Indra Market, Old Subzi Mandi, Delhi-7.

- Item No.8: **Proposal for Export of 20 MT Onion Seed C.V. Nasik Red to Multan, Pakistan by M/s.Rama Krishna Seeds, 145, Indra Market, Old Subzi Mandi, Delhi-7.**
- Item No.9: **Proposal for Export of 10 MT Onion Seed C.V. Nasik Red to Lohore, Pakistan by M/s. Rama Krishna Seeds, 145, Indra Market, Old Subzi Mandi, Delhi-7.**
- Item No.10: **Proposal for Export of total 3120 kgs Onion Seed C.V. Nasik Red(3000 kgs.) and Bombay Red(120 kgs.) to Lahore, Pakistan by M/s. Bharat Seeds, Lov-Kush Market, Near Bus Stand, Patiala, Punjab.**
- Item No.11: **Proposal for Export of total 700 kgs Onion Seed C.V. Nasik-53(500 kgs.) and Bombay Red(200 kgs.) to Kathmandu, Nepal by M/s. Bharat Seeds, Lov-Kush Market, Near Bus Stand, Patiala, Punjab.**
- Item No.12: **Proposal for Export of 50 MT Onion Seeds C.V. N-53 to Faislabad, Pakistan by M/s. Proline Overseas, 127, Indra Market, Old subzi Mandi, Delhi – 110 007.**
- Item No.13: **Proposal for Export of 2000 kgs C.V. Nasik Red to Gujrawala, Pakistan by M/s. Sungro Seed Exports Ltd., 2nd Floor, Sungro Chamber, B.N. Block, Local Shopping Centre, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi-110 088.**
- Item No.24: **Proposal for Export of 99 MT onion seeds C.V. N-53 (50 MT) and Bombay Red (49MT) to Pakistan by M/s. Hoshiarpurian Di Hatti, Amritsar, Punjab.**

The Exim Committee withheld the recommendations on proposals for export of Onion seeds for the Item No. 1 – 13 & 24 for want of details regarding quantity of Onion seeds actually exported on the basis of recommendations of the Exim Committee in the year 2005-06.

The committee further desired that the concerned companies who have applied for permission for export of Onion seeds be directed to furnish the particulars about the recommendation made by the Exim Committee to export the Onion seeds for last three years alongwith the Exim Committee references and the export undertaken by the exporter against the recommended quantity so as to take a view.

Horticulture Commissioner of DoAC and Seed Association of India may also be directed to furnish the comprehensive report on Onion seeds production/distribution, requirement and availability for consideration of the above proposal.

Item No.14: Proposal for Import of 220 MT Egyptian Clover Mescavi(Trifolium Alexandrinum) C.V. Mescavi from Egypt by M/s.Indian Seed House, A-245, New Subzi Mandi, Azadpur, Delhi-110 032.

The Committee recommended the Import of 220 MT Egyptian Clover Mescavi(Trifolium Alexandrinum) C.V. Mescavi from Egypt by M/s. Indian Seed House, A-245, New Subzi Mandi, Azadpur, Delhi-110 032, subject to the following conditions: -

- i. Submitting certificate from the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) in the country of origin certifying disease free field inspection report;
- ii. Furnishing morphological characteristics and features of the imported variety obtained from the competent authority of the country of origin for matching with the Indian cultivar;
- iii. Furnishing Orange certificate issued by ISTA Accredited Laboratory.
- iv. Depositing seed sample of 500 gm. in the Gene bank of NBPGR through representative of PPA for accession and future reference;
- v. Comply the provision of Seed Act, 1966 (Section 17 of the Seed Act, 1966)
- vi. Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003, and amendment made therein.

Item No.15: Revalidation of proposal for Import of 250 MT Barseem seed C.V. Mescavi from Egypt by M/s. Taneja Seeds Corporation, 3, First Floor, Indra Market, Old Subzi Mandi, Delhi-110007, approved by 93rd Exim Committee held on 25th May, 2005.

The Committee recommended revalidation proposal, which has been approved by 93rd Exim Committee held on 25th May, 2005 for Import of 250 MT Barseem seed C.V. Mescavi from Egypt by M/s. Taneja Seeds Corporation, 3, First Floor, Indra Market, Old Subzi Mandi, Delhi-110007, subject to the following conditions: -

- i. Submitting certificate from the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) in the country of origin certifying disease free field inspection report;
- ii. Furnishing morphological characteristics and features of the imported variety obtained from the competent authority of the country of origin for matching with the Indian cultivar;
- iii. Furnishing Orange certificate issued by ISTA Accredited Laboratory.
- iv. Depositing seed sample of 500 gm. in the Gene bank of NBPGR through representative of PPA for accession and future reference;
- v. Comply the provision of Seed Act, 1966 (Section 17 of the Seed Act, 1966)
- vi. Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003, and amendment made therein.

Item No.16: Proposal for Import of 1012 MT Barseem Clover Seed Trifolium Alexandrinum C.V. Mescavi from Egypt by M/s. Bharat Agro Overseas (India), A-64, Industrial Area, G.T. Karnal Road, Delhi-110033.

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- v. Comply the provision of Seed Act, 1966 (Section 17 of the Seed Act, 1966)
- vi. Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003, and amendment made therein.

Item No.17: Proposal for Import of total 16,00,000 Nos. Citrus Seeds C.V. Swingle Citrumelo Seed(3,87,400 Nos.), Carrizo citrange(12,00,000 Nos.) and Benton Citrange Seed(12,600 Nos.) from Florida, USA by Punjab Agri. Export Corp., 2-A, Sector 28-A, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh-160 002.

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Item No.18: Proposal for Import of 1.00 lakh Nos. Oil Palm Sprouts C.V.Tenera from ASD de Costa Rica Thailand by M/s. South India Corporation Agencies Ltd., Ampapuram Village, Bapulapadu Mandal, Krishna Distt., Andhra Pradesh-521109.

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Item No.19: Proposal for Import of 15 kgs. Sweet Corn C.V. SHY 034-5083 from Thailand by M/s. Semins Vegetable Seeds(India) Ltd., Gut No. 24, Chitegaon, aurangabad-431105.

The Committee recommended the Import of 15 kgs. Sweet Corn C.V. SHY 034-5083 from Thailand by M/s. Semins Vegetable Seeds(India) Ltd., Gut No. 24, Chitegaon, aurangabad-431105, subject to Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 and amendments made therein.

Item No.20: **Proposal for Import of 7.5MT Sweet Corn C.V. Sugar Queen from Thailand by M/s. East West Seed International Ltd., 5-B, Tapadia Estate, Near A.S. Club, Aurangabad.**

The Committee recommended the Import of 7.5MT Sweet Corn C.V. Sugar Queen from Thailand by M/s. East West Seed International Ltd., 5-B, Tapadia Estate, Near A.S. Club, Aurangabad, subject to Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 and amendments made therein.

Item No.21: **Proposal for Import of 10 MT Baby Corn Seeds C.V. NS 283 from Thailand by M/s. Namdhari Seed Pvt. Ltd., 119, 9th Main Road, Ideal Homes, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore-560 098.**

The Committee recommended the Import of 10 MT Baby Corn Seeds C.V. NS 283 from Thailand by M/s. Namdhari Seed Pvt. Ltd., 119, 9th Main Road, Ideal Homes, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore-560 098, subject to Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 and amendments made therein.

Item No.22: **Proposal for import of 10 MT Sweet Corn seeds C.V. Pacific hybrid 3 from Australia by M/s. Golden Seeds Pvt. Ltd., B-22, B-Block, Brigade MM Building, K.R. Road Cross, Yedyur, Bangalore-560 082.**

The Committee recommended the Import of 10 MT Sweet Corn seeds C.V. Pacific hybrid 3 from Australia by M/s. Golden Seeds Pvt. Ltd., B-22, B-Block, Brigade MM Building, K.R. Road Cross, Yedyur, Bangalore-560 082, subject to Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 and amendments made therein.

Item No.23: **Proposal for Import of total 10,000 Nos. Grapes sapling/cuttings C.V. Malbec CW-14, Malbec 1056 Scion Wood, Merlot D3V14, Merlot Q45 – 14 and Merlot D3V5, 2,000 Nos. each, from M/s. Mildura Vine Nursery, Australia by M/s. Samant Soma Winess Pvt. Ltd., Winery – Gat No. 35/2 Village Govarddhan, Gangapur, Savargaon Road, Nashik(MH)-422 222.**

The Committee recommended the Import of total 10,000 Nos. Grapes sapling/cuttings C.V. Malbec CW-14, Malbec 1056 Scion Wood, Merlot D3V14, Merlot Q45 – 14 and Merlot D3V5, 2,000 Nos. each, from M/s. Mildura Vine Nursery, Australia by M/s. Samant Soma Winess Pvt. Ltd., Winery – Gat No. 35/2 Village Govarddhan, Gangapur, Savargaon Road, Nashik(MH)-422 222, subject to Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 and amendments made therein.

Item No.25: **Proposal for Export of 150 Qtls. Jatropha Seed to Mozambique by National Seeds Corporation Ltd., Beej Bhawan, Pusa Complex, New Delhi-12.**

The Committee deferred the consideration of the proposal to Export 150 Qtls. Jatropha Seed to Mozambique by National Seeds Corporation Ltd., Beej Bhawan, Pusa Complex, New Delhi-12 for want of the particulars about the name of the variety and source from where the seeds is to be procured for export.

The committee also noted about the recommendations of the National Biodiversity Authority vide their letter No. 9-1a/2003/Tech/7493 dated 25th July, 2006 about the care to be taken for IPR and benefits sharing, if any, on the above export for which Committee decided to consult PPV & FR Authority.

Item No.26: **Proposal for import of total 40,000 Nos. Grapes sapling/cuttings C.V. Merlot(MO 314) and Merlot(MO 346), (20,000 Nos. each) from Wellington South Africa by M/s. Samant Soma Winess Pvt. Ltd., Winery – Gat No. 35/2 Village Govarddhan, Gangapur, Savargaon Road, Nashik(MH)-422 222.**

The Committee recommended the Import of total 40,000 Nos. Grapes sapling/cuttings C.V. Merlot(MO 314) and Merlot(MO 346), (20,000 Nos. each) from Wellington South Africa by M/s. Samant Soma Winess Pvt. Ltd., Winery – Gat No. 35/2 Village Govarddhan, Gangapur, Savargaon Road, Nashik(MH)-422 222, subject to Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 and amendments made therein.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

No.1-5/2006-SD.IV (105th EXIM)
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
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F/212, Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi.

Dated August, 2006

Sub: **Minutes of the 105th EXIM Committee meeting for Export and Import of Seeds and Planting Materials held under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (A&C), Government of India, DAC on 1st August, 2006.**

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of the Minutes of the 105th EXIM Committee meeting for export and import of seeds and planting material, held on 1st August, 2006 under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Radha Singh, Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi for favour of information and necessary action.

(C. SHANMUGAM)
DY. COMMISSIONER (QC)

Encl: As above

Distribution:

1. All the members of EXIM Committee.
2. Animal Husbandry Commissioner, Deptt. of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Director General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. Joint Secretary(Seeds), DAC, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Seed Association of India, District Centre, Janakpuri, New Delhi.
7. Plant Protection Advisor, DAC, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
8. Senior Analyst, NIC, DAC with the request to put the information on the website.