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## PREFACE

I am glad to know that Quality Control Unit of Seeds Division (SD-IV) has prepared a Ready Reckoner on its role and responsibilities which include, administrative & technical matters related to Seed Law Enforcement, Quality Control of Seed and Planting Materials, Seed Certification, Guidelines for Sub-Mission of Seeds and Planting Materials on Quality Control Components, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Seed Schemes, International Seed Testing Association, Release and Notification of new varieties of agricultural and horticultural crops under Section 5 of the Seeds Act 1966 and Seeds Rules, 1968, Export Import of seeds and planting materials etc.

This booklet contains concise information on Quality Control Components of SMSP, Brief Note on EXIM Policy, NPSD, 1988, Seeds Act, 1966, Seed Rules, 1968, Seeds (Control) Order, 1983, Cotton Seeds Price (Control) Order, 2015, List of Notified State Seed Testing Laboratories, Brief of OECD Seed Scheme, Brief on ISTA, Statement of files and contact details of all important and relevant stakeholders, which will be useful in day-to-day official work.

I extend sincere words of appreciation for officials of Quality Control Unit of Seeds Division (SD-IV) for their commendable work.

  
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### **FOREWORD**

Quality Seeds is a good investment for successful agriculture, because seed retains its irreplaceable position in deciding the production possibilities frontier, having a cascading effect on use of other inputs for sustaining crop yield. It is estimated that the direct contribution of quality seed alone can enhance the production upto 15-20%.

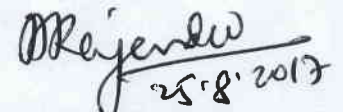
This booklet contains the Organizational Chart, Work allocation among and all activities the staff of Quality Control wing of Seeds Division. The unit deals with policy intervention in Seed development programme and monitoring of Seed Law Enforcement and to provide financial support to State Department of Agriculture/Seed Certification Agencies/ State Seed Development Corporations, cooperatives like IFFCO, KRIBHCO, HIL and other Central Agencies for Quality Control Components of SMSP under NMAET.

This booklet contains the information regarding Briefs / Background Notes, SMSP guidelines, Charter of duties of QC wing of Seeds Division and will serve as a Ready Reckoner of information, which can be used by the Officials of Seeds Division as well as by the higher officers as a handy information / material. With the help of this booklet information of Seeds-IV can be retrieved easily and immediately whenever required.

This booklet will also facilitate in quick disposal of cases / letters and Parliament Questions of the Seeds-IV and serve as an Induction Material for the newly inducted Officers / Staff of the Division.

The efforts put forth by the officers and staff of Seeds-IV in bringing out this Ready Reckoner is praise worthy.

New Delhi,  
25<sup>th</sup> August, 2017

  
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**Dr. B. Rajender**  
**Joint Secretary (Seeds)**