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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** India  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Plants and Plant materials |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X] All trading partners**  **[ ]** **Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Title – Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2018. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 11 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2018, seeks to further liberalize provisions governing import of eight items under Schedule VI of the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003. This notification will further allow import of plants and plant materials into India. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [****X] plant protection, [****X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****X] protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[****X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  The contents of this notification are based on Pest Risk Analysis(PRA) conducted as per International Standards on Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) N° 2 and 11 of International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) of FAO.  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X] Yes [ ]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** www.agricoop.nic.in (Circulars and Notifications – Plant Protection – WTO Notifications) (available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be decided.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be decided. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** This shall come into force on the date of their publication in the official gazette.  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 10 July 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Dr. B. Rajender  Joint Secretary  Plant Protection  Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare  Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare  Room No. 297  Krishi Bhawan  New Delhi-110011  INDIA  Tel: +(91) 11 2338 1196  E-mail: jspp-dac@nic.in |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  The details can be seen in the website of the Plant Protection Division of the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India viz.  <http://www.agricoop.nic.in>  (Circulars and Notifications – Plant Protection – WTO Notifications- Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2018 and <http://www.plantquarantineindia.nic.in>  Or can be obtained from the National Enquiry Point  Dr. B. Rajender  Joint Secretary  Plant Protection  Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare  Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare  Room No. 297  Krishi Bhawan  New Delhi-110011  INDIA  Tel: +(91) 11 2338 1196  E-mail: jspp-dac@nic.in |