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Registration of Rice Mills with NPPO for Export to USA & China

Department of Agriculture and Cooperation (DAC), Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India in consultation with regulatory bodies in USA & China has decided that export of rice from India to these countries would be permitted only from the rice mills which are registered with the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO). Accordingly, rice mills interested in export of rice to USA & China are advised to immediately apply for registration to the Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine and Storage (DPPQ&S), Faridabad. The details may be found from their website: www.ppqs.gov.in

The rice mills may submit their application to DPPQ&S by April 30, 2015 after ensuring that their unit meets the requisite criteria. DPPQ&S would complete process of registration, after inspection, by May 31, 2015 in respect of the mills which are found to be meeting the requisite criteria. Other mill which are found to have some non compliances would be advised to comply in due course and their names would be added subsequently in the revised list of registered mills.

The list of registered/approved mills would be updated periodically and shared by DAC with US APHIS and AQSIQ China. The first list to be shared would be as upto May 31, 2015.

Based on this process, with effect from June 01, 2015 APEDA would not accept applications for registration of contracts for export of Basmati Rice to USA & China from units which are not registered/approved by DPPQ&S. Registration cum Allocation Certificate (RCAC) for export of Basmati Rice to USA & China will be issued only to rice mills registered/approved by DPPQ&S. In case of merchant exporters, they would be required to declare the name of the registered/approved rice from where the rice would be procured by them.

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