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PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 26/2018

Subject: Importation of Insecticides/Pesticides on the basis of NOC's issued by CIB&RC long back under the Insecticide Act, 1968 - reg.

Attention of all Importers, Customs Brokers, Members of the Trade and all person concerned is invited towards Public Notice dated 22.01.2018 issued by the Central Insecticide Board & Registration Committee (CIB&RC) on the issue related to the 'No Objection Certificates' issued by them long back for the substances/Chemicals listed in the Schedule to the Insecticide Act, 1968 and Insecticide Rules, 1971.

2. It was informed vide the above referred Public Notice that the issue was deliberated in the 379th meeting of the Registration Committee and following decision was made-

The Committee deliberated the agenda in detail and found following discrepancies in the 'No Objection Certificates' (NOC) issued by CIB&RC long back:-

- i) That the NOC's were open ended and did not contain any date of validity.*
- ii) That the source of import was not mentioned on these NOC's, thus, enabling importer to bring any kind of pesticides from un-approved source.*
- iii) Some of the NOC's also bear name of such pesticides which are either not registered in India or are in withdrawn/banned category.*

In view of above, it was decided that, henceforth, import of pesticides made on the basis of such NOC's shall not be considered and no clarification to Customs Authority shall be furnished by CIB&RC for the consignment imported on the basis of such NOC's. Registration Committee also directed Secretariat of CIB&RC to issue a Public Notice in that regard and to inform the Customs Authorities not to permit any imports of pesticides or products containing pesticides on the basis of NOC's.

3. It was also informed that this should be enforced with immediate effect, however, the consignments imported on the basis of such NOC's but in transit or having Bill of Lading on or before the date of issue of Public Notice i.e. 22.01.2018 will be permitted.

4. Thus CIB&RC has decided that, henceforth, import of pesticides made on the basis of such NOC's which were - (i) open ended without any date of validity; (ii) without having details of the source of import and (iii) bearing name of such pesticides which were either not registered in India or were in withdrawn/banned category will not be allowed.

5. It is informed that the Import of Insecticides/Pesticides are subject to the provisions of Insecticides Act, 1968, Insecticide Rules, 1971 and the guidelines issued by the CIB&RC in that regard from time to time. All concerned Importers are, therefore, informed that importation of Insecticides/Pesticides on the basis of such NOC's will not be permitted except for the

consignments which were in transit or in cases wherein the Bill of Lading has been issued on or before 22.01.2018.

6. Accordingly, all Importers are directed to obtain fresh Registration/Import Permit from the CIB&RC under Insecticide Act, 1968 containing (i) date of validity and (ii) details of the source of import and produce the same to Customs for the clearance of such goods before any import takes place or goods arrive at port. In case of non adherence to this, such action shall be liable under the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962.

7. Difficulty if any faced, in implementation of the prescribed procedure may be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

Sd/-
(VIJAY SINGH CHAUHAN)
COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, NS-V.

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