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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** India  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture & 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 and other regulated articles as per Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 and its Amendments. Sal kernel *(Shorea stenoptera)* |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ]****All trading partners**  **[****X]** **Specific regions or countries:** Malaysia |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Title - Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 (Sixteenth Amendment) 2021..**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 2  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/IND/22_0905_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Sixteenth Amendment) Order, 2021 seeks to further liberalize provisions governing import of Sal Kernal from Malaysia. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****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) Numbers 2 and 11 of the 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: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 27 March 2022  **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:**  Sh. Parmod Kumar Meherda, Joint Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No.299 C, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tel: +(91 11) 2338 8756, E-mail: pk.meherda@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 on the website of the Plant Protection Division of the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India viz. www.agricoop.nic.in (Circulars and Notifications - Plant Protection - WTO Notifications- Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 (Sixteenth Amendment) 2021 and www.plantquarantineindia.nic.in  Or can be obtained from the National Enquiry Point  -  Sh. Parmod Kumar Meherda, Joint Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No.299 C, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tel: +(91 11) 2338 8756, E-mail: pk.meherda@nic.in |