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Sub:Information on Registration Regulations prescribed by People's Republic of China-reg
Ref: Circular No:13/2021 dated 22nd October,2021.

In continuation to the Registration Regulations prescribed by People's Republic of China, the Embassy of India (EoI), Beijing has informed that, the Registration Division of Food Safety Bureau of the GACC has informed that, as per GACC regulation No. 248, enterprises exporting to China are required to obtain GACC registration for the specific HS/CIQ codes for the particular food product, before shipment. Accordingly, the exporters are advised to confirm the correct HS/CIQ code from the importer, during order confirmation.

Note: For example, the HS & CIQ codes for Fenugreek are 0910990000 & 115 respectively. As per GACC, the HS Code 0910990000 denotes 'other spices' which includes spices such as celery seed, dill powder, thyme leaf etc., with different CIQ codes. Hence, if a firm intends to export Fenugreek to China, he/she shall apply for GACC registration for the HS code 0910990000 with CIQ Code as 115.

Further, completion of GACC registration / approval for registration of a particular product can be confirmed only if the application status is reflected as 'APPROVED' in the GACC portal. There will not be any separate email intimation from GACC regarding product approval / registration.

It has also been informed that GACC has updated its Single Window System so that food products shipped prior to getting approval for the specific HS/CIQ code, cannot be declared on the customs declaration system of GACC. All exporters are advised to ship the consignments only after a gap of at least two working days after obtaining GACC registration for the specific HS code, so as to account for turnaround time for updation of records.

Director (MKTG)

To,
All Exporters of Spices and Spice Products
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