

Minimum Import Price for Cardamom

As a measure to sustain the domestic cardamom industry and also control on the reported large scale import of inferior quality of cardamom both small and large, the Spices Board has taken up with the Department of Commerce, Govt. of India for imposing minimum import price and also ensuring the imported cardamom is as per the quality specifications stipulated in the FSSAI Act, 2006. In response to the Board's proposal, the Department of Commerce under the Ministry of commerce & Industry has issued a notification No.109/(RE-2013)/2009-2014 dated 6th February 2015, permitting import of cardamom small and large not below the CIF value of Rs.500/-per kg as well as meeting the quality standards/specification of the FSSAI. In the light of the above mentioned notification, cardamom can be imported only if the CIF value of cardamom (small / large) is Rs.500/- or above per kg and on payment of import duty @70% on CIF value besides meeting the quality standards specified under FSSAI. Based on the samples drawn and sent to the Spices Boards' laboratories analytical reports will be issued for releasing the consignment of imported cardamom.

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