



SPICES BOARD

(Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Govt. of India)

Sugandha Bhavan
N.H. By-pass
P.B. No. 2277
Palarivattom P.O.
Cochin - 682 025, India

स्पाइसेस बोर्ड

(वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय,
भारत सरकार)
सुगन्ध भवन
एन.एच. बाईपास
पी.बी.नं. 2277
पालारिवट्टम पी.ओ.
कोचिन - 682 025, भारत

No.MKT/QR/GEN/2016

Dated: 22nd March 2016

CIRCULAR

Sub: Export of Spices to Japan -Violation of Japan's Food Sanitation Laws -reg.
Ref: Circular No.MKT/RA/GEN/06/2011-12 dated 30/07/2012

.....

As per the Circular referred above, the export of Chilli and Chilli Products and Cumin and Cumin products from India to Japan is based on the cleared analytical reports on pesticides residues like Ethion, Iprobenphos, Triazophos and Profenofos w.e.f. 01.09.2012. The permissible maximum residue levels are as follows:

Ethion	: 3.00 ppm
Iprobenphos	: 0.01 ppm
Triazophos	: 0.10 ppm
Profenofos	: 0.05 ppm

In spite of mandatory sampling procedures for analysis of the above pesticide residues for export of chilli and cumin to Japan, alerts on pesticide residues from Japan on the chilli and cumin consignments have been received and the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW), Govt. of Japan has issued a notification about violation of Japan Government's Food Sanitation Law due to presence of the pesticide residues in a consignment of Indian origin chilli exported to USA, and reshipped to Japan.

In order to avoid such occurrence in future it has been decided that all the **transshipment consignments** of chilli and chilli products as well as cumin and cumin products meant for Japan should be subjected to Mandatory Sampling and Certification by the Spices Board on pesticides Ethion, Iprobenphos, Triazophos and Profenofos with immediate effect.



S. Kannan
[S.KANNAN]
DIRECTOR [MKTG]

To

All Registered Exporters of Spices
All Regional Office of the Board.
All Customs Offices