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Sub: Potential risk due to the presence of Chlorpyrifos & Chlorpyrifos methyl in export consignments intended to the European Union (EU)- reg

The Directorate - General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE) of the European Commission, has reported the presence of chlorpyrifos & chlorpyrifos methyl residues in consignments of spices imported from India to the EU. The DG SANTE has further highlighted the potential risk due to presence of Chlorpyrifos in commodities including spices and dried herbs imported from India.

It may be noted that Chlorpyrifos & Chlorpyrifos methyl are non- approved substances in the EU. The maximum residue level (MRL) for Chlorpyrifos & Chlorpyrifos methyl prescribed by EU for the category spices, as per the EU Pesticide Database website, is 0.01 mg/kg. The product wise updated MRL details can be accessed from the link below.

(<https://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides/eu-pesticides-database/active-substances/?event=search.as>)

In this regard, all exporters of spices and spice products to the European Union are advised to ensure compliance with the permissible level of Chlorpyrifos & Chlorpyrifos methyl and to exercise due diligence, while exporting spices and spice products to the EU.

Director (MKTG)

To,
All Exporters of Spices and Spice Products
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