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Date: 27th May, 2022

Sub: Mandatory Sampling & Testing of export consignments of Spices & Spice products under the Quality Evaluation System of Spices Board-reg

- Ref: 1) Circular No.24/2021 dated 02nd February 2022.
2) Circular No.09/2021-22 dated 03rd December 2021.
3) Circular No. MKT-ENQ-DG/0001/2018 dated 30th April 2020.

Spices Board, in line with the European Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2246 dated 15th December 2021, had made it mandatory to have cleared Analytical Report issued by the Board for Ethylene oxide (ETO), for export of notified spices to EU, vide circular cited under reference 1. Further, Official Certificate issued by the Board for Ethylene oxide (ETO), is a mandatory requirement for clearance of the spice consignments at the destination ports in the EU.

Further, in view of the revised requirements of Saudi Food & Drug Administration (SFDA), the requirement of cleared analytical report from the Board's QELs for export of Small Cardamom to Saudi Arabia, stipulated vide circular under reference 3 is temporarily discontinued. However, the requirement of Certificate of Conformity (CoC) from SFDA approved Conformity Assessment Bodies (CAB) in India, for clearance of Small Cardamom consignments, at the destination ports in Saudi Arabia, will continue to be in place.

Accordingly, the country/region wise list of spices and spice products which require cleared analytical report issued by the Board's laboratories, for export from India, prescribed vide circular under reference 2 above, has been amended and is placed as Annexure 1, for information and compliance.

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This circular, issued under the provisions of the Spices Board Act 1986 & Spices Board (Registration of Exporters) Regulations 1989, will take effect from 01/06/2022 and shall remain in force until further guidelines / instructions are prescribed by Spices Board, in this regard.



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To

All Exporters of Spices and Spice Products/ Exporters' Associations.

All Commissioners/ Officials concerned of Customs, across India.

Copy to:

Shri M S Banerjee, Under Secretary, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, GoI.

All Offices/ QELs of Spices Board.

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Mandatory Sampling & Testing of export consignments of Spices and Spice products under the Quality Evaluation System of Spices Board

COUNTRY/REGION	SPICES (IN DRIED FORM) & SPICE PRODUCTS	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ITC HS CODE	PARAMETER	MAXIMUM LIMIT		
European Union (EU) & Northern Ireland (UK)	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb		
	Turmeric Whole	Dried (turmeric) Other (Sliced)	ex 09103020 ex 09103090				
	Ginger Whole & Ginger Products	Dried, unbleached (ginger)	09101120				
		Dried, bleached (ginger)	09101130				
		Powder	0910 12 10				
		Other (Crushed or ground)	0910 12 90				
	Nutmeg Whole & Nutmeg Products	Other (neither crushed nor ground) including Sliced	ex 09101190			Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
		In shell (nutmeg)	09081110				
		Shelled (nutmeg)	09081120				
	Mace Whole & Mace Products	Crushed or ground	0908 12 00				
		Neither Crushed Nor Ground	09082100				
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Crushed or ground	0908 22 00				
		Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb		
		Chilli seed	090422 12				
	Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19					
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb		
		Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I- IV	Not Detected	
	Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning		ex 21039040				
	Other		ex 21039090				

Ready to Eat (RTE) items \$	Pickles		Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Chilli Sauce			
	Other Sauces			
	Chutney/Chutney powder		Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
	Snacks		Sudan I– IV	Not Detected
	Others			
Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Others	09103090	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
			Sudan I– IV	Not Detected
Curry Leaves	Other Spices, N.E.S	09109990 (EU has classified curry leaves with CN Code 12119086)	Profenofos Triazophos Endosulfan	0.05ppm 0.01ppm 0.05ppm
Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
	Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max
Chilli, Chilli Powder & Chilli Products, Nutmeg & Nutmeg Products and Ready to Eat (RTE) items which contain Chilli and / or Nutmeg in a quantity of above 20% (either as a single product or as the sum of these products) \$	Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU & UK, for consignment of Chilli and Nutmeg, and for products containing Chilli, and Nutmeg in a quantity of above 20% (either as a single product or as the sum of these products). The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Aflatoxin.			
Spices and Spice products requiring mandatory testing and Health Certificate/official Certificate for Ethylene oxide (ETO) ^^				
Pepper of the genus piper, dried or crushed or ground fruit of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta	HS/CN Code 0904		Ethylene Oxide	0.02 ppm
Ginger	HS / CN Code 0910			

	Vanilla		HS/CN Code 0905	Ethylene Oxide	0.1 ppm
	Cinnamon and cinnamon-tree flowers		HS/CN Code 0906		
	Cloves (whole fruit, cloves and stems)		HS/CN Code 0907		
	Nutmeg, mace and cardamoms		HS/CN Code 0908		
	Seeds of anise, badian, fennel, coriander, cumin or caraway; juniper berries		HS/CN Code 0909		
	saffron, turmeric (curcuma), thyme, bay leaves, curry and other spices		HS/CN Code 0910		
	Sauces and preparations; mixed condiments and mixed seasonings; mustard flour and meal and prepared mustard		HS/CN Code 2103		
	Food supplements containing botanicals		HS/CN Code - ex 1302 HS/CN Code- ex 2103		
United Kingdom	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1 Aflatoxin Total	5 ppb 10 ppb
	Turmeric Whole	'Dried (turmeric)	ex 09103020		
		Other (Sliced)	ex 09103090		
	Ginger Whole & Ginger Products	Dried, unbleached (ginger)	09101120		
		Dried, bleached (ginger)	09101130		
		Powder	0910 12 10		
		Other (Crushed or ground)	0910 12 90		
		Other (neither crushed nor ground) including Sliced	ex 09101190		
	Nutmeg Whole & Nutmeg Products	In shell (nutmeg)	09081110		
		Shelled (nutmeg)	09081120		
Crushed or ground		0908 12 00			

Mace Whole & Mace Products	Neither Crushed Nor Ground	09082100		
	Crushed or ground	0908 22 00		
Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Chilli seed	090422 12		
	Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I– IV	Not Detected
	Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
	Other	ex 21039090		
Curry Leaves	Other Spices, N.E.S	09109990 (EU has classified curry leaves with CN Code 12119086)	Profenofos	0.05ppm
			Triazophos	0.01ppm
			Endosulfan	0.05ppm
Cumin Seeds#	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
	Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max
Ready to Eat (RTE) items \$	Pickles		Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Chilli Sauce			
	Other Sauces		Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
	Chutney/Chutney powder			
	Snacks		Sudan I– IV	Not Detected
Others				
Turmeric Powder & Products (Except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb

		Others	09103090	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb	
				Sudan I– IV	Not Detected	
USA	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	20ppb	
				Salmonella	Absent in 25g	
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	Sudan I– IV	20ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12			
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19			
	Curry Powder& Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Salmonella	Not Detected	Absent in 25g
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010			
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040			
		Other	ex 21039090			
	Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I–IV	Not Detected	
		Other	09103090			
	Cumin Seeds#	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.	
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max	
				Salmonella	Absent in 25g	
Cumin Ground	Crushed Or ground (cumin)	0909 32 00	Salmonella	Absent in 25g		
Canada	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	15 ppb	
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11			
		Chilli seed	090422 12			

		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19	Aflatoxin Total	15 ppb
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100		Sudan I-IV
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Other	09103090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max
South Africa	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1 Aflatoxin Total	5 ppb 10 ppb
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Curry masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.	

		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max
North American Countries other than USA and Canada	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not detected
		Other	09103090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max
Japan	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
				Triazophos	0.01 ppm
				Iprobenfos	0.01 ppm
				Profenofos	3.00 ppm
				Chlorpyrifos	2.00 ppm
				Ethion	0.30 ppm
				Methyl parathion	1.00 ppm
				Parathion	0.40 ppm
				Phorate	0.30 ppm

	Chilli Powder &Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total Sudan I-IV	10 ppb Not Detected
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 3.00 ppm 2.00 ppm 0.30 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.40 ppm 0.30 ppm
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas**	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total Sudan I-IV	10 ppb Not Detected
	Curry Pastes**	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Aflatoxin Total Sudan I-IV	10 ppb Not Detected
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Cumin Seeds#	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter Other Seeds	3.00% Max 0.25% Max

		Other	09093129	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Cumin Seed ground	Crushed Or ground (Cumin)	0909 32 00	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Turmeric Powder & Products (Except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Other	09103090	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Turmeric whole	Dried (turmeric)	09103020	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Other (Sliced/Split)	09103090	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Cardamom - whole & ground	Large (amomum) (cardamom)	09083110	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm
		Small (elettaria), alleppey green (cardamom)	09083120	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm

		Small, coorg green (cardamom)	09083130	Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Small-bleached, half-bleached or bleachable (cardamom)	09083140		
		Small (mixed)	09083150		
		Other	09083190		
		Powder	0908 32 10		
		Small Cardamom seeds	0908 32 20		
		Cardamom husk	0908 32 30		
		Other cardamom crushed or ground	09083290		
	Black Pepper – whole & ground	Light black pepper	09041120	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Black pepper, garbled	09041130		
		Black pepper, ungarbled	09041140		
		Other (neither crushed or ground)	09041190		
		Pepper, crushed or ground	09041200		
Fenugreek - whole & ground	Fenugreek (seed)	09109912	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm	
	Fenugreek (powder)	09109924			
	Other	09103090			
Australia & New Zealand	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	15 ppb
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	15 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100		

	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected			
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040					
		Other	ex 21039090					
	Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected			
		Other	09103090					
		Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.		
Other			09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max			
Malaysia	Chilli Whole *	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb			
				Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb			
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	Chilli seed	090422 11	090422 12	090422 19		
							Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
							Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
	Curry Powder& Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected			
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010					
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040					
		Other	ex 21039090					
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.			
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max			
South East Asian Countries (excluding Malaysia), Sri Lanka,	Chilli Whole *	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb			
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11					

Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan, Afghanistan		Chilli seed	090422 12	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb	
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19			
	Curry Powder & Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100			Sudan I-IV
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010			
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040			
		Other	ex 21039090			
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.	
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max	
	China	Chilli Whole *	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
		Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
Chilli seed			090422 12			
Other (crushed or ground)			090422 19			
Curry Powder & Masalas		Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected	
Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010				

		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter Other Seeds	3.00% Max. 0.25% Max
		Other	09093129	Carbosulfan Chlorpyrifos Carbendazim Cyfluthrin and Beta-cyfluthrin Cypermethrin and Beta-cypermethrin Malathion Disulfoton Accephate Profenofos	0.07 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.3 ppm 0.03 ppm 0.1 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.05 ppm 0.2 ppm 5.00 ppm

	Cumin Seed ground	Crushed Or ground (Cumin)	0909 32 00	Carbosulfan Chlorpyrifos Carbendazim Cyfluthrin and Beta-cyfluthrin Cypermethrin and Beta-cypermethrin Malathion Disulfoton Accephate Profenofos	0.07 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.3 ppm 0.03 ppm 0.1 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.05 ppm 0.2 ppm 5.00 ppm
All other countries	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
Other		09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max	

* Container stuffing for export of Chilli Whole is permitted based on the '**Sample Drawn Certificate**' provided by Spices Board for South East Asian countries (including Malaysia), Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan, Afghanistan and China.

Container stuffing for export of Cumin Seeds is permitted based on the '**Sample Drawn Certificate**' provided by Spices Board to all destinations except EU, USA, China and Japan. In the case of USA and Japan, exports of Cumin seeds are permitted only with the Cleared Analytical Report OR with No Objection Certificate (NOC) issued by Spices Board. In the case of EU and China, exports of Cumin seeds are permitted only with the Cleared Analytical Report from Spices Board.

** The Pesticide limits specified for Curry Powders, Curry Masalas and Curry pastes for Japan are applicable only for such products which have a quantity of Chilli & Chilli products of less than 20%. For Curry Powders, Curry Masalas and Curry Pastes which have a Chilli content of 20% and above, the Pesticide limits for Chilli and Chilli products shall apply.

^^ Spices and spice products covered under HS/CN Code 0904 to 0910, ex 2103, ex 1302 ; CN Codes may also be checked, for ascertaining applicability of ETO HC.

Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for Aflatoxin from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU & UK, for consignment of Chilli and Nutmeg, and for products containing Chilli, and Nutmeg in a quantity of above 20% (either as a single product or as the sum of these products). The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Aflatoxin.

Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for Ethylene Oxide (ETO) from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU for consignment of spices and spice products covered under HS Code 0904 to 0910, ex 2103, ex 1302. The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Ethylene Oxide.

Based on request from exporters, Official Certificate will also be issued for Aflatoxin and ETO for consignments to EEA countries (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway), Switzerland, and UK for ETO, based on the Cleared Analytical Report.

\$ In the case of RTE products, HC for aflatoxin is applicable if the item contains Chilli and / or Nutmeg in a quantity of above 20%, either as a single product or as the sum of these products. However, HC for ETO is mandatory.

'ex' Where only certain products under any ITC HS Code are to be tested and no specific subdivision under that ITC HS Code exist with description, the ITC HS Code is marked 'ex'.

The Mandatory Sampling & Testing of export consignments of Spices and Spice products does not apply to the consignments that are not intended to be placed on the market viz. trade samples, laboratory samples, display samples for exhibitions, samples that are part of passengers' personal luggage and are intended for personal consumption or use etc., unless their gross weight exceeds **30 kg**.



Director (Marketing)