

## SPICES BOARD

(Ministry of Commerce and Industry Government 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. बाइपास पी. बी. नं. 2277 पालारिवट्टम पी.ओ. कोचिन - 682 025, भारत

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## CIRCULAR

Sub: Mandatory Sampling, Testing & Certification of Export of Cumin - reg.

It has been decided to introduce Mandatory Sampling and Testing for selected consignment of Cumin Seeds intended for export to all countries from India with effect from 01.03.2014.

At present, there is no testing procedure for export of Cumin. It has been reported that adulterated cumin seeds are finding its way to the export market by lower valued exports. As a preventive measure, it is hereby directed that all export of cumin seed at Invoice Prices lower than US\$1750/- per tonne shall be permitted to be exported only after testing of samples drawn from the export consignment. The samples shall be drawn from the consignment by an Authorised Officer of the Spices Board or a designated agency authorised by the Board and sent to the Board's Quality Evaluation Laboratory for necessary analysis. Export of the inspected consignment shall be permitted based on the Cleared Analytical Report obtained from the Board's lab to the effect that the samples drawn from the consignment and tested are found free of impurities/adulterants.

This is issued under the provisions of the Spices Board (Registration of Exporters) Amendment Regulations, 2004.

The prescribed fees for the analysis of the three parameters are as follows:

Other Seeds 50.00
Extraneous Matter 100.00
Total Ash 150.00

Total 300.00

Service tax extra, as applicable.

(DR. A JAYATHILAK, IAS) CHAIRMAN

To

All Registered Exporters of Spices ISFEA/AISEF/WSO
All Commissioners of Customs
All Regional Offices of the Board