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

No: MKT-ENQ-DG/0001/2018

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

04th June. 2020.

CIRCULAR

Sub: Mandatory pre- shipment Sampling, Testing & Stuffing of Export Consignment of Small Cardamom to Saudi Arabia – Arrangements at CIAL, Ernakulam- reg **Ref:** Circular No: MKT-ENQ-DG/0001/2018 dated 30th April, 2020.

Spices Board, vide circular cited as reference above, had included exports of Small Cardamom to Saudi Arabia under the mandatory sampling and testing program and test reports are being issued by the Board in four working days from the date of receipt of the sample.

Meanwhile, the Board has received grievances from exporters, who are shipping cardamom by air through Kochi that the consignments after sampling are to be kept in the air carge station, till the receipt of cleared analytical report, thereby attracting significant demurrage charges.

Spices Board had taken up the grievance of exporters with Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) and CIAL, as an alternative, has offered the exporters a space adjacent to the air cargo complex, where the shipments of cardamom which requires certification from Spices Board can be unloaded on arrival at the airport. Further, it has been informed that this space which has all the facilities similar to the facilities provided in the export warehouse, is available at a very nominal charge of Rs. 250 per consignment per day.

All exporters are requested to take note of this arrangement provided by CIAL and to consider making use of this facility, while exporting small cardamom to Saudi Arabia by air through CIAL, Ernakulam.

(B.N JHA) DEPUTY DIRECTOR (MKTG)

To

- 1) All Exporters of Cardamom/ Exporters' Associations
- 2) All Regional Offices / QELs/ \$RDs of Spices Board

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1) Dy. Director, EDP, Spices Board to host in the Board's website.