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Sub: Market Access by China for export of ground spices from India-reg

As you are aware, subsequent to the implementation of mandatory registration of overseas enterprises under the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC) system (during November 2021), China has streamlined the import of products to the country based on the market access. Accordingly, the export of Spices & Spices products from India to China was limited to twenty five products having valid market access.

In this regard, Spices Board, through the Embassy of India (EoI), Beijing has been taking up with GACC for granting market access to more number of spices and spice products from India. Subsequently, the Bureau of Import and Export Food Safety, GACC has updated the Market Access Requirements of plant-based spice products imported by China and accordingly plant-based ground spices will no longer require market access for entry to China. Therefore, ground spices (details given in Annexure I) can hereafter be exported from India to China without the requirement for market access. However, the enterprises exporting these products are still required to register on GACC's China Import Food Enterprise Registration (CIFER) system to be eligible to export such products to China.

In view of the above, all exporters of spices to China are urged to make use of the trade opportunity for export of ground spices from India to China. Further, with regard to CIFER registration the earlier circulars of Spices Board (No: 13/2021,16/2021, 04/2023-24, 06/2023-24,) may be referred to.

Effect of the Circular: Ground spices (details given in Annexure I) can be exported from India to China without the specific requirement for a market access. However, CIFER registration is required for export of ground spices to China.



Director (MKTG)

To
All Exporters of Spices and Spice Products

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(Hindi Version follows)

Annexure I - Plant-based ground spices which do not require market access for entry to China

Sl No.	HS code	Product name	CIQ code	CIQ name	Product range	Product category
1	0712909990	Other dried vegetables and mixtures of vegetables	133	Other dried vegetables and mixtures of vegetables (whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder, but not further prepared) (sweet marjorams)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
2	0712909990	Other dried vegetables and mixtures of vegetables	134	Other dried vegetables and mixtures of vegetables (whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder, but not further prepared) (dillseed powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
3	0904110010	Piper	103	Piper (spices)(ground)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
4	0904120000	Pepper of the genus Piper crushed or ground	102	Pepper of the genus Piper crushed or ground (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
5	0904220000	Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta crushed or ground	101	Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta crushed or ground (Pimenta dioica (L.) Merr.)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
6	0904220000	Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta crushed or ground	102	Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta crushed or ground (Other)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
7	0904220000	Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta crushed or ground	103	Seeds of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
8	0905200000	Vanilla crushed or ground	999	Vanilla crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
9	0906200000	Cinnamon and cinnamon tree flowers crushed or ground	102	Cinnamon and cinnamon tree flowers crushed or ground (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
10	0906200000	Cinnamon and cinnamon tree flowers crushed or ground	103	Cinnamon and cinnamon tree flowers crushed or ground (spices (cinnamon))	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
11	0907200000	Cloves (whole fruit, cloves and stems) crushed or ground	102	Cloves (whole fruit, cloves and stems) (spices) crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
12	0908120010	Endangered wild nutmeg crushed or ground (excluding cultivated ones)	102	Endangered wild nutmeg crushed or ground (excluding cultivated ones) (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
13	0908120090	Other nutmeg crushed or ground	102	Other nutmeg crushed or ground (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
14	0908220010	Endangered wild mace crushed or ground (excluding cultivated ones)	999	Endangered wild mace crushed or ground (excluding cultivated ones)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
15	0908220090	Other mace crushed nor ground	999	Other mace crushed nor ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
16	0908320010	Endangered wild cardamoms crushed or ground (excluding cultivated ones)	102	Endangered wild cardamoms crushed or ground (excluding cultivated ones)(spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices

17	0908320090	Other cardamoms crushed or ground	102	Other cardamoms crushed or ground (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
18	0909220000	Seeds of coriander crushed or ground	999	Seeds of coriander crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
19	0909320000	Seeds of cumin crushed or ground	999	Seeds of cumin crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
20	0909621000	Seeds of badian crushed or ground	102	Seeds of badian (spices) crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
21	0909629010	Seeds of fennel crushed or ground; juniper berries crushed or ground	102	Seeds of fennel crushed or ground; juniper berries (spices) crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
22	0909629090	Seeds of anise crushed or ground; caraway crushed or ground	102	Seeds of anise crushed or ground; caraway (caraway) crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
23	0910120000	Ginger crushed or ground	102	Ginger (spices) crushed or ground	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
24	0910300000	Turmeric	103	Turmeric (ground)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
25	0910910000	Mixed spices	101	Mixed spices (mixtures referred to in Note I (II) to this Chapter) (five spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
26	0910910000	Mixed spices	102	Mixed spices (mixtures referred to in Note I (II) to this Chapter) (curry powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
27	0910910000	Mixed spices	999	Mixed spices (mixtures referred to in Note I (II) to this Chapter) (others)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
28	0910990000	Other spices	105	Other spices (curry powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
29	0910990000	Other spices	122	Other spices (bay leaf)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
30	0910999000	Other spices	101	Other spices (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
31	0910999000	Other spices	104	Other spices (thyme leaves and thyme leaf powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
32	0910999000	Other spices	107	Other spices (mustard powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
33	0910999000	Other spices	109	Other spices (basil powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
34	0910999000	Other spices	110	Other spices (dillseed powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
35	0910999000	Other spices	113	Other spices (majoram leaves and majoram leaf powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
36	0910999000	Other spices	201	Other spices (Oregon Powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
37	0910999000	Other spices	202	Other spices (tarragon powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
38	0910999000	Other spices	203	Other spices (dried mint leaves)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
39	0910999000	Other spices	204	Other spices (vanilla powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
40	0910999000	Other spices	205	Other spices (celery seed powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
41	0910999000	Other spices	206	Other spices (Fenugreek seed powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
42	0910999000	Other spices	207	Other spices (Bay powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices

43	0910999000	Other spices	208	Other spices (Allspice)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
44	0910999000	Other spices	210	Other spices (Marjoram powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
45	0910999000	Other spices	211	Other spices (Rosemary powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
46	0910999000	Other spices	213	Other spices (fruit powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
47	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	101	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (dillseeds)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
48	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	111	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
49	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	112	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (other spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
50	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	113	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (dried mint leaves)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
51	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	114	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (basil powder)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
52	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	115	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (bay leaf)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
53	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	116	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (majoram leaves (including majoram leaf powder))	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
54	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	117	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (Salvia Officinalis)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices

55	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	118	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (wild Origanum majorana L.)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
56	1211905099	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices	119	Other plants of a kind used primarily in spices (including their parts, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder) (rosemary)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
57	1211905099	Other plants used chiefly as spices (including parts thereof, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder)	120	Other plants used chiefly as spices (including parts thereof, whether or not cut, crushed or ground into powder)(sage)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices
58	2103300000	Mustard flour and meal and prepared mustard	999	Mustard flour and meal and prepared mustard (spices)	Natural plant spices	Plant spices