No. 8-29/2016-PP.II Government of India Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 1st July, 2016

To

The Plant Protection Adviser, Dte. of PPQ&S, Faridabad.

Subject: Phytosanitary requirements for import of Coal - Clarification regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Directorate's letter No.99-16/2012-PQD-(Pt.I) dated 30.06.2016 on the subject cited above and to say that a notification has been issued on 20th June, 2016 vide which requirement of import permit and Phytosanitary Certificate are not required for import of Inorganic soil additives, Leonardite, Lignite, Pure sand (Silica, Zircon, Quartz, etc.,) Pure clay like kaolin etc., Rock aggregates and Gravel, Volcanic pumice, Chalk, Salt, Diatomaceous earth, Iron ore, Vermiculite, Perlite, Gypsum, Zeolite etc. It is clarified after careful consideration that import of coal for industrial and non-agricultural purposes does not pose any threat to agricultural biosecurity and as such, imported coal is not required to be referred to Plant Quarantine Stations for phytosanitary clearance.

2. It is requested that the above instructions may be circulated to all concerned PQ Stations/ Associations/ Organisations/Departments, under intimation to this Department.

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Yours faithfully,

(Balram Prasad Bimal)

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