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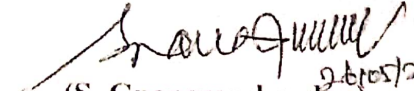
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Relaxation for pre-shipment fumigation with Methyl Bromide (MBr) from countries, which have phased out use of MBr – reg.

All the Officer In-charges of RPQs/PQs may refer to Directorate's Office Memorandum No. 99-74/2018-PQD dated 20th May, 2019 and Office Memorandum of even number dated 17th May, 2023 regarding relaxation for pre-shipment fumigation with Methyl Bromide (MBr) from countries, which have phased out the use of MBr. In this regard, it is informed that as per Directorate's O.M issued on 20th May, 2019, there were many countries listed (*Annexure I*) under MBr phased out countries, however, less number of countries listed (*Annexure II*) under MBr phased out countries as per Directorate's O.M issued on 17.05.2023, since, many countries have not submitted the relevant documents to NPPO, India to establish phased out country status in accordance with the Gazette notification No. S.O. 4871(E) dated 13th October, 2022. Hence, the Competent Authority in Department of Agriculture & Farmer's Welfare has directed to allow the release of consignments as per the earlier list of MBr phased out countries specified in *Annexure I* on the following conditions for which fumigation treatment is stipulated in Plant Quarantine (Regulations for import into India) Order, 2003:

- i. The import of agricultural commodities covered under the Bill of Lading (BL) issued by the country of export dated 17th May, 2023 or before, will be subjected to conditions specified in Directorate's Office Memorandum No. 99-74/2018-PQD dated 20th May, 2019.
- ii. The import of agricultural commodities covered under the Bill of Lading issued by the country of export after 17th May, 2023, will be subjected to conditions specified in Directorate's Office Memorandum of No.102-1/2017-PQD dated 17th May, 2023.
- iii. The present order will not affect the relaxations given in respect of pulses vide Office memorandum No. 18-9/2021-PP. II(e-104300) dated 05.03.22.

This issues with the approval of Plant Protection Adviser.


(S. Gnanasambandan)
Joint Director (PQ)

To,

All the Officer In-charges of RPQs/PQs

Copy to:

1. The Joint Secretary (PP), PP Division, DA&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The Director (PP), PP Division, DA&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
3. The Plant Protection Adviser, Dte. of PPQS, Faridabad.

List of Methyl Bromide (MBr) phased out countries (As on date 25.05.2026)

Sl. No.	Countries
EU Countries	
1.	Austria
2.	Belgium
3.	Bulgaria
4.	Croatia
5.	Czech Republic
6.	Denmark
7.	Estonia
8.	Finland
9.	France
10.	Germany
11.	Greece
12.	Hungary
13.	Ireland
14.	Italy
15.	Latvia
16.	Lithuania
17.	Luxembourg
18.	Malta
19.	Netherlands
20.	Poland
21.	Portugal
22.	Republic of Cyprus
23.	Romania
24.	Slovakia
25.	Slovenia
26.	Spain
27.	Sweden

Sl. No.	Countries
Non EU Countries	
28.	Algeria
29.	Azerbaijan
30.	Bangladesh
31.	Belarus
32.	Bhutan
33.	Bosnia and Herzegovina
34.	Burkina Faso
35.	Cameroun
36.	Canada
37.	Cape Verde
38.	Côte d'Ivoire
39.	Cuba
40.	Ecuador
41.	Ethiopia
42.	French Guiana (Territory of France)
43.	Gambia
44.	Georgia (<i>w.e.f 26.01.2024</i>)
45.	Grenada (<i>w.e.f 07.11.2023</i>)
46.	Guadeloupe (Territory of France)
47.	Guinea
48.	Guyana
49.	Iceland
50.	Iraq
51.	Japan
52.	Jordan (<i>w.e.f 20.12.2023</i>)
53.	Kazakhstan
54.	Lesotho
55.	Libya
56.	Madagascar
57.	Malawi

Sl. No.	Countries
58.	Martinique (Territory of France)
59.	Mayotte (Territory of France)
60.	Moldova
61.	Norway
62.	Peru
63.	Réunion (Territory of France)
64.	Russian Federation
65.	Rwanda
66.	Saudi Arabia
67.	Senegal
68.	Serbia
69.	Suriname
70.	Switzerland
71.	The Democratic Republic of the Congo
72.	Togo
73.	Tunisia
74.	Uganda
75.	Ukraine
76.	United Arab Emirates
77.	United Kingdom
78.	Venezuela
79.	Zambia
80.	Zimbabwe
81.	Republic of Chad (<i>w.e.f 04.05.2026</i>)
82.	Colombia (<i>w.e.f 07.05.2026</i>)
83.	State of Palestine (<i>w.e.f 25.05.2026</i>)
MBr Phased out for specific purpose/specific commodities	
84.	Ghana (Except timber)
85.	Nigeria (Except timber)
86.	New Zealand (All the commodities in the ship holds)
87.	Brazil (All the Commodities in the ship vessels)