

**No. 8-112/2020-PP.II**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare**  
**Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare**

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**Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi**  
**Dated, 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2020**

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Notification to be made in the SPS Committee of WTO regarding Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 (Sixth Amendment) 2020.**

The undersigned is directed to say that the competent authority in the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare has approved the text of the draft notification in (WTO format) of the draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 (Sixth Amendment) 2020 proposing certain amendments to the phytosanitary conditions governing the import of certain plants and plant materials into India.

2. The Department of Commerce (TPD Division) is requested that further necessary action to notify the same to the WTO Secretariat may be taken at the earliest and WTO notification number allotted by WTO Secretariat may please be intimated to this Department. The text of the notification containing the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 (Sixth Amendment) 2020 will be available at [www.agricoop.nic.in](http://www.agricoop.nic.in) under the Head 'Circulars and Notifications'–Plant Protection–WTO Notifications.

Encl: As above.



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**Copy for information to:**

1. Plant Protection Adviser, Directorate of PPQ&S, Faridabad enclosing herewith the text of the complete notification containing the draft notification in (WTO format) of the draft 'Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 (Sixth Amendment) 2020' with the request to arrange to provide the Hindi translation.
2. Joint Director (PP), Dte. of PPQ&S, Faridabad with a similar request.
3. Director (IT), IT Division, DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan, with the request to post the said draft notification as well as the WTO-SPS format on website [www.agricoop.nic.in](http://www.agricoop.nic.in) under the head 'Circulars and Notifications' – Plant Protection –'WTO Notifications' as 'Draft 'Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 (Sixth Amendment) 2020'.
4. Deputy Director General of Foreign Trade, Department of Commerce, Room No. 221, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi. E-mail: [us5tpd-doc@nic.in](mailto:us5tpd-doc@nic.in)

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member of Agreement notifying : <b>INDIA</b>
2.	Agency responsible : <b>DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION &amp; FARMERS WELFARE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE &amp; FARMERS WELFARE, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA</b>
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national scheduled deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition where applicable): <b>Plants and Plant materials and other regulated articles as per Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 and its Amendments.</b> <i>Ilex paraguariensis (Yerba mate)</i>
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries - Argentina
5.	<b>Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> <b>Title – Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Sixth Amendment) Order, 2020.</b> <b>Language – English</b> <b>Number of pages – 2</b>
6.	<b>Description of content :</b> The Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Sixth Amendment) Order, 2020 seeks to further liberalize provisions governing import of <i>Ilex paraguariensis (Yerba mate)</i> under Schedule VI of the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003. This notification will further allow import of plants and plant materials into India.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale :</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/ plant pest or disease. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant International standard ? if so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health, (OIE) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention:

The contents of this notification are based on Pest Risk Analysis(PRA) conducted as per International Standards on Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) Numbers 2 and 11 of International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) of FAO.

None

**Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**

Yes  No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard

9. **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**

**ENGLISH;** [www.agricoop.nic.in](http://www.agricoop.nic.in) (Circulars and Notifications – Plant Protection – WTO Notifications)

10. **Proposed date of adoption: Yet to be decided**

**Proposed date of publication: Yet to be decided**

11. **Proposed date of entry into force : This shall come into force on the date of their publication in the official gazette.**

**Six months from the date of publication**

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12. **Final date of comments :** Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or :**31<sup>st</sup> August, 2020**

**Agency or authority designated to handle comments :**  **National Notification Authority, [x] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail of the authority:** Sh. Atish Chandra, Joint Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No. 247C, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele : 91-11-23384280. E-mail : [jspp-dac@gov.in](mailto:jspp-dac@gov.in)

13. **Text available from :**  **National Notification Authority, [x] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail of the authority:**

The details can be seen in the website of the Plant Protection Division of the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India viz. [www.agricoop.nic.in](http://www.agricoop.nic.in) (Circulars and Notifications – Plant Protection – WTO Notifications- Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) (Sixth Amendment) Order, 2020 and [www.plantquarantineindia.nic.in](http://www.plantquarantineindia.nic.in)

Or can be obtained from the National Enquiry Point – Sh. Atish Chandra, Joint Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No. 247C, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele : 91-11-23384280. E-mail : [jspp-dac@gov.in](mailto:jspp-dac@gov.in)

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE  
(DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE)

**Draft Notification**

New Delhi, the June, 2020

S.O. (E). – In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Destructive Insects and Pests Act 1914 (2 of 1914), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003, namely:-

1.Short title and Commencement - (1)This Order may be called the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Sixth Amendment) Order, 2020.

(2)It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Amendment of Schedule VI – In the Schedule VI of the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 –

After Serial number 784 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries thereto shall be inserted, namely:-

S. No.	Plant Species	Category of plant material	Country of origin	Additional declarations required to be incorporated into Phytosanitary Certificate	Special conditions of import
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
785	<b><i>Ilex paraguariensis</i></b> (Yerba mate)	Dried and grinded herb for human consumption	Argentina	Nil	Nil

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(Atish Chandra)  
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

**Note :** The Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 was published in the Gazette of India, vide, number S.O. 1322 (E) dated 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2003, and subsequently amended vide number S.O.167(E), dated 6<sup>th</sup> February 2004, S.O. 427(E), dated 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2004, S.O. 644(E), dated 31<sup>st</sup> May 2004, S.O. 263(E), dated 25<sup>th</sup> February 2005, S.O. 462 (E), dated 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005, S.O. 1121 (E), dated 14<sup>th</sup> July 2006, S.O. 1353 (E), dated 31<sup>st</sup> July 2006, S.O. 1873 (E), dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2006, S.O. 2074 (E), dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2006, S.O. 2069 (E), dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2007, S.O. 3(E), dated 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2008, S.O. 2847 (E), dated 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2008, S.O. 2888 (E), dated 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2008, S.O. 2286 (E), dated 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2009, S.O. 2390 (E), dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2009, S.O. 3269 (E), dated 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2009, S.O. 3298 (E), dated 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2009, S.O. 907 (E), dated 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2010, S.O. 2095(E), dated 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2010, S.O. 2284 (E), dated 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2010, S.O. 2516 (E), dated 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2010, S.O. 2711 (E) dated 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2010, S.O. 3052(E) dated 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2010, S.O. 887 (E) dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2011, S.O. No. 2845 (E) dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2011, S.O. No.296 (E) dated 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2012, S.O. 2775(E) 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2012 S.O.799(E) dated 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2013, S.O.1378(E) dated 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2013, S.O.1531(E) dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2013, S.O.2919(E) dated 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2013, S.O.1508(E) dated 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2014, S.O. No.1632(E) dated 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2014, S.O. No.2320(E) dated 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, S.O. No.2542(E) dated 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, S.O. No.2879(E) dated 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2014, S.O. No.3114(E) dated 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014, S.O. No. 1413(E) dated 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2015, S.O. No. 2496(E) dated 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2015, S.O. No. 101(E) dated 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2016, S.O. No. 608(E) dated 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 S.O. No.1873(E) dated 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2016, S.O. No.2192(E) dated 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2016, S.O. No. 2248(E) dated 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2016, S.O. No.2453(E) dated 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2016, S.O. No.2614(E) dated 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 and S.O. No.264(E) dated 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, S.O. No. 364(E) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017, S.O. 1344 (E) dated 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2017, S.O. 1475 (E) dated 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2017, S.O. 2019 (E) dated 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2017 and S.O. 2152 (E) dated 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 and S.O. No. 2752 (E) dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2017, S.O. No. 3293(E) dated 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2017, S.O. No.3556(E) dated 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 and S.O. No. 4082(E) dated 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, S.O. No. 1248(E) dated 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, S.O. No. 1873(E) dated 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2018, S.O. No.1930 dated 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2018, S.O. No. 2059(E) dated 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2018, S.O. No. 2286(E) dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 and S.O. No. 3194(E) dated 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2018, S.O. No. 3392(E) dated 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2018, S.O. No. 3998(E) dated 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2018, S.O. No. 5158(E) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018 and S.O. No. 5830(E) dated 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2018 and S.O. No. 6224(E) dated 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2018, S.O. No.941(E) dated 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 and S.O. No. 1728(E) dated 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2019, S.O. No. 1817(E) dated 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2019, S.O. No.1954(E) dated 11.06.2019 and S.O. No 2525(E) dated 15.7.2019 and S.O. No.2603 dated 18.7.2019 and S.O. No. 3141(E) dated 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 S.O. No. 3594(E) dated 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2019, S.O. No. 3845(E) dated 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2019, S.O. No. 4083(E) dated 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 and S.O. No.4615 dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2019, S.O. No. 352(E) dated 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2020, S.O. No. 488(E) dated 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2020, S.O. No. 953(E) dated 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2020 and S.O. No. 1404(E) dated 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2020.

To

The Manager,  
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