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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue

Room No.48-C, North Block,
 New Delhi, the 26th December 2014

To

The Narcotics Commissioner,
 Central Bureau of Narcotics,
 19-The Mall, Morar,
 Gwalior- 474006.

Subject: Finalization of country caps for import of poppy seeds from Turkey during FY 2014-15 and other guidelines for import of poppy seeds.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to communicate the acceptance of the Revenue Secretary to the revised country caps for import of white poppy seeds from Turkey into India during FY 2014-15, as recommended by the Committee headed by the Narcotics Commissioner and including representatives of DGFT and DoR, as per minutes dated 16th December 2014. The country cap for Turkey for FY 2014-15 in respect of white poppy seeds would be 15,375 MT, as recommended by the Committee.

2. In addition, the Revenue Secretary has approved the following further guidelines for import of white poppy seeds, in addition to the already approved guidelines:

- (i) Narcotics Commissioner may ascertain the actual imports against the previously registered contracts. If the contracts have been short or under-utilized, the balance quantity can be allotted to other importers based on guidelines already firmed up.
- (ii) The applications for poppy seed imports should continue to be dealt with on a first come first serve basis. However, every application should be assigned a unique running serial number and a dated acknowledgement along with this unique serial number should be given to the applicant.
- (iii) The list of all the applicants should be prepared and placed on the website of the CBN, which should be updated daily. This list should indicate the following details –
 - a. Date of receipt of application,
 - b. Unique Serial number,
 - c. Name and address of the applicant,

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- d. Quantity for which registration is sought,
 - e. Quantity actually registered (this can be indicated after the contract has been registered by the NC),
 - f. Quantity actually imported under the contract (this should be updated periodically by the Narcotics Commissioner as and when actual imports occur as reported to them electronically by the DG systems, CBEC. Directions for this have already been issued to CBEC and daily reports are being sent to the Narcotics Commissioner through email).
- (iv) The Narcotics Commissioner should also seek the PAN numbers of the applicant in case the same is not presently being sought.
- (v) In order to discourage the tendency of applicants who do not effect imports or import only a small quantity against the registered quantity, thereby blocking a part of the country cap, it may be made known by the Narcotics Commissioner to the applicants whose contracts would be registered against the final country cap, that failure to import a minimum of 50% of the registered quantity would result in debarment in future.

Yours faithfully,


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Copy submitted to:

- (1) The Director General, Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi, for kind information.
- (2) JS (Customs), CBEC, North Block, New Delhi.