

SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Sub: Seed Regulation Cell – Seed Act 1966- Seed (Control) Order 1983-District Squad- Inspected the premises of Navata Transport Office yemmiganur, Kurnool District- DNA lab Analytical report –Positive to Herbicide tolerant (HT) – Show cause – issued to M/s Neo Seeds India Pvt ltd-Reg.

- Ref:** 1. Roc No D2/Inspections/2017 dt 22.05.2018 of Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool.
2. Roc No MAO./YMG/HTC/2017 dt 22.03.2018 of MAO, Yemmiganur.
3. Analytical Report SD.ROC.No 20/2017 dt 24.04.2018 of ADA, DNA Finger printing & Transgenic Crops Monitoring Laboratory, Guntur.

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It is to inform that vide reference 1st cited while enclosing the reference 2nd cited the Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool has informed that ADA, Yemmiganur along with squad members inspected the premises of Navata Transport, Yemmiganur on 22.03.2018 and found Navya BG II cotton seed pockets of M/s Neo Seeds India Pvt ltd for delivery to Sri Ram seeds & Pesticides, Yemmiganur through invoice no.1730003217 Dt.14-03-2018. On suspicion the squad members tested the cotton seed with LFA strip and found positive to Herbicide Tolerant (HT) trait in presence of Manager, Navata Transport Office, Yemmiganur. MAO, Yemmiganur has drawn one sample from the stock with Lot No 1042503416 for analysis purpose and send to DNA Fingerprinting & Transgenic Crops Monitoring Laboratory, Guntur under E.P. Act 1986, Rules 1989 and Seeds (control) Order 1983.

The stock of 49 pockets pertains to M/s Neo Seeds India Pvt ltd were detained and kept under the custody of MAO, Yemmiganur and the same was recorded in Form IV duly acknowledged and conducted panchanama.

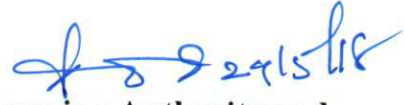
Vide reference 3rd cited it is reported that seed sample of M/s Neo Seeds India Pvt.Ltd contained CP4EPSPS gene with MON 88913 Herbicide Tolerant Trait (HT) which is not approved by GEAC (Genetic Engineering Approval Committee) for commercial release in India.

M/s Neo Seeds India Pvt. ltd has contravened the provision of Section 6, 7 of Seeds Act, 1966 read with section 21, 23 and Clause 3, 8A read with Clause 15 of Seeds (Control) Order, 1983.

In this context, the firm M/s Neo Seeds India Pvt. Ltd is here by directed to Show Cause why their license NO.RRD/O/ADDL.DA/CSL/2014/506 should not be cancelled under clause 15 of Seed (control) Order, 1983 for violating the provision of Section 6, 7 of Seeds Act, 1966 read with section 21, 23 and Clause 3, 8A read with Clause 15 of Seeds (Control) Order, 1983.

Further the firm is informed that the reply should reach this office within 5 days after receipt of this notice otherwise action will be initiated as per the above mentioned provisions of seed laws without further intimation.

Encl: 1. DNA Lab reports
2. Neo seeds Bill of supply
(Invoice No. 1730003217 Dt.14-03-2018)



**Licensing Authority and
Additional Director of Agriculture (Seeds)
O/o Commissioner & Director of Agriculture,
AP, Guntur.**

To

M/s. Neo Seeds Pvt. Ltd, D.NO.76-11-23, Kollafarm Road, Bhavanipuram, Vijayawada.

Copy to the Joint Director of Agriculture, Krishna with a request to serve the show cause notice to the said firm duly obtaining dated acknowledgement and furnish compliance immediately to the Licensing Authority.