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Dt: 20-12-2024

O/o Commissioner of Agriculture,
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

MEMO

Sub: Integrated Agri Labs - Fertilizer (Inorganic, Organic or Mixed) (Control) Amendment Order, 2023 -Instructions Issued - Regarding.

Ref: 1. Fertilizer (Inorganic, Organic or Mixed) (Control) Order, 1985
2. Gazette no 594 Ministry of Agriculture & Farmer welfare, New Delhi Dt: 08-02-2023
3. Go Ms No 36 of Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri III) Dept Dt: 14-07-2023
4. File No. 1-16/2021 Fert law of Ministry of Agriculture & Farmer welfare Dt: 17-03-2023
5. AGC02-35023/3/2020 of this office Dt: 21-08-2023
6. Gazette no 5384(E) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmer welfare, New Delhi Dt: 13-12-2024

It is to inform that, the Government of India issued Fertilizer (Inorganic, Organic or Mixed) (Control) Amendment Order, 2023 vide 2nd reference. **This amendment is related to drawl, Custody & reanalysis of Fertilizer samples.** This amendment is followed in the state from 01-09-2023 vide 3rd to 5th reference.

Further the Government of India vide 6th reference issued amendment to **clause 28B** of Fertilizer (Inorganic, Organic or Mixed) (Control) Order 1985 and this order may be called the Fertilizer (Inorganic, Organic or Mixed) (Control) (Fifth) Amendment Order 2024.

The amendment instructions to be followed by the Quality Control Inspector and Custodian DAO is mentioned below -

Instructions to the QCI:

- **The instructions to be followed strictly for the fertilizer samples drawn after 14-12-2024.**

Drawl:

1. Three equal portions of the each sample are drawn.
2. Out of the three parts of the sample drawn, the first portion of sample shall be sent to any Regional coding centre as assigned by InSight.
3. Second portion of sample is given to the dealer/Importer/Manufacturer/ Pool handling agency/Marketer from whom the sample drawn under an acknowledgement on the same day of drawl of sample.

4. Third portion of sample shall be kept in safe custody of the appointed District Agricultural officer of their zone on the same day i.e date of sample drawn.

Second analysis:

5. In case the sample declared as Non-Standard, the dealer or manufacturer or importer or pool handling agency or marketer may apply **second analysis within period of fifteen (15) days from date of receipt of the analysis report (Form L).**
6. The dealer or manufacturer or importer or pool handling agency or marketer may apply for second analysis to designated Custodian DAO through proper channel (MAO & ADA/ Urban AOs & DAO/ ADA (PP) & DAO), duly sending the dealer sample and prescribed fee.
7. The QCI shall guide the dealer/Importer/Manufacturer/ Pool handling agency/Marketer with Custodian DAO address, details of documents (Form-P, K, J & L) to be sent along with dealer sample and prescribed fee for second analysis.
8. The prescribed fee for second analysis is -
- a) The amount of fees to be paid for second analysis depends the no. of parameters to be analyzed for the sample as mentioned in the Schedule -I (Part -A: Specifications of Fertilizers), Schedule-III (Part-A: Specifications of Bio-Fertilizers), Schedule-IV (Part-A: Specifications of Organic Fertilizers) and Schedule-V (Part-A: Specifications of Non-Edible De-oiled cake).

b)

S. no.	No. of parameters to be tested	Test Fee (in Rs.)	Total test Fee with 18% GST
1	1 to 3	2000	2360
2	4 to 6	4000	4720
3	7 or more parameters	7000	8260

- c) In case of 100%water soluble mixture or Mixture of Fertilizer or Micronutrient mixture or NPK mixture with Micro nutrient, the Specification of all the parameters shall be provided to the NTH/Referee lab.

- d) The test fee may be paid in two ways as mentioned below -

- i) Demand draft should be drawn in favour of "Director General, National Test House, Kolkata" Payable at Kolkata (Providing billing address & GSTN No. for generation of Tax Invoice).

(Or)

- ii) Bharatkosh: Online payment procedure attached/available at www.nth.gov.in (Mention of GSTN No. in Remarks box is mandatory for generation of Tax Invoice).

Analysis report:

1. In case where the dealer or manufacturer or pool handling agency **not applied for second (referee analysis)** within the stipulated period of fifteen (15) days under sub-clause (2) of clause 28 B, then the report of **first analysis shall be final**.
2. In case the sample sent for second analysis, sample is declared as **STANDARD** the analysis report is treated as final.
3. In case where the sample reports declared **Non-Standard** in both first analysis and second analysis report in **a common parameter**, in such case, there shall not be any third analysis and the second analysis report shall be treated as final.
4. In case where the sample reports declared **Non-Standard** in both first analysis and second analysis report in **a different parameters** then the Concerned Custodian DAO shall suo motto send the sample lying in their possession for third analysis to Central Fertilizer Quality Control and Training Institute, Faridabad and the analysis report of such Institute shall be treated as Final.

Instructions to Custodian DAO:

1. After receipt of the request from the dealer/Importer/Manufacturer/Pool handling agency/Marketer for second analysis, the Custodian DAO shall verify the request is received within stipulated period of fifteen (15) days from date of receipt of the analysis report (Form L) to the concerned.
2. The Custodian DAO verifies the documents, Demand draft/ Bharatkosh receipt and the dealer sample (sample condition).
3. The Custodian DAO shall immediately send any of the two samples that is one submitted by the dealer or manufacturer or pool handling agency or importer or marketer and other lying in their custody to the National Test House, Ghaziabad Coding Centre within a period of three working days from the date when the concerned manufacturer, dealer, importer, pool handling agency or marketer applied for referee analysis.

4. After receipt of the second analysis report, the Custodian DAO shall review 2nd analysis report.
5. In case sample is declared as **STANDARD** in second analysis, the analysis report is treated as final.
6. In case sample is declared as **NON-STANDARD** in both first and second analysis, the Custodian DAO shall review the both analysis reports.
7. If the declared **NON-STANDARD sample fails in common parameter**, the second analysis report is treated as final.
8. If the declared **NON-STANDARD sample fails in different parameters**, the Custodian DAO shall suo motto send the sample lying in their possession for third analysis to Central Fertilizer Quality Control and Training Institute, Faridabad within 3 days after receipt of analysis report and the analysis report of such Institute shall be treated as Final.
9. The custodian DAO shall communicate the received analysis reports (Form-L) to the concerned party (dealer/Importer/Manufacturer/Pool handling agency/Marketer) with in a period of three days from the date of receipt of the report.
10. It is also informed to mark a copy of analysis report to the concerned MAO, ADA &DAO.

Hence, the District Agriculture Officers are instructed to communicate the guidelines to all the QCIs across the state and directed to instruct the QCIs to follow the instructions without deviation. The Custodian DAOs are also instructed to follow the above mentioned guidelines.


Director of Agriculture
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To

1. The District Agricultural officers with an instruction to communicate the guidelines to all the QCIs across the state.
2. The Custodian DAOs (DAOs of Visakhapatnam, West Godavari, Palnadu and Tirupati) for information and necessary action.