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Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003

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Report Highlights:

On November 18, 2003, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, issued a Gazette notification under the Destructive Insect and Pests Acts (1914) establishing new import procedures and quarantine requirements on agricultural products imported into India including products of export interest to the United States, namely citrus fruits, grapes, peas, pome fruits, and dry fruits and nuts for consumption.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Introduction: This report summarizes the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003, which establishes import procedures and quarantine requirements for plant, plant materials, and various agricultural products into India, both for planting and consumption.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Type of Regulation: Final

Important Dates:

- **Publication Date:** November 18, 2003
- **Effective Date:** January 1, 2004

Products Affected: All agricultural commodities, including grains, oilseeds, fresh fruits and vegetables, nuts, cotton, etc. , for planting and consumption

Agency in Charge: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI

Proposed Major Changes:

This notification is an attempt to document in one place, import procedures for various agricultural commodities, seeds, and planting materials. Based on a cursory review this notification contains new declarations and conditions for imports. It lists (a) plants/planting materials and countries from where imports are prohibited along with justifications; (b) plants and plant materials whose imports are restricted to authorized institutions with additional declarations and special conditions; (c) plants/plant materials permitted for imports (for planting and consumption) with additional declarations and special conditions. Of particular concern to the United States are the additional declarations and special conditions not previously required to import citrus fruits, grapes, dry peas, Pome fruits (apple, pear, etc.), and stone fruits, for consumption.. For details see:

http://plantquarantineindia.org/pdffiles/PQ_order_2003.pdf

For More Information: Contact the Plant Quarantine Organization of India website:

<http://plantquarantineindia.org/law.htm>

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