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Circular

Circular No: 24/2022-23

23rd March 2023

Sub: Mandatory Sampling & Testing of export consignments of Spices & Spice products under the Quality Evaluation System of Spices Board-reg

- Ref: 1) Circular No: 05/2022-23 dated 27th May, 2022.
2) Circular No: 19/2022-23 dated 25th November 2022.
3) Circular No: 21/2022-23 dated 05th January 2023.

Spices Board, in line with Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23rd February 2005, Regulation (EU) 2015/868 dated 26th May 2015 and considering that most of the spice mixes contain spices such as Chilli, Ginger etc, had defined the lower Maximum Residue Limit (MRL) of 0.02 mg/kg for Ethylene Oxide (ETO) for Spice Mix products to EU vide circular cited under reference 2.

Further, the Board has been receiving representations from exporters/exporter's associations to exclude Spice Mixes from the lower MRL limit of 0.02 mg/kg for ETO, citing that many of the spice mixes contain chilli and ginger in minimal quantity/ does not contain chilli and ginger.

In consideration of the above, the Board has decided to fix the MRL of Ethylene oxide in Spice Mix products (Curry masalas, curry gravy, RTE products, RTC products, pickles, sauces, chutney etc) to EU, which is tabulated as follows:

Table 1:

HS CODE	FOOD AND FEED (INTENDED USE)	MRL mg/kg
ex 0910/2106	Curry Masalas, Curry paste, Ready to Eat products, Ready to Cook products, snacks etc.	0.1
ex 2103	Sauces and preparations; mixed condiments and mixed seasonings	0.1

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Further, Commission Implementation Regulation (EU) 2023/174 has made it mandatory for Curry Leaves originating in India entering into EU to have an Official Certificate (Health Certificate) for Pesticide Residues (117 no. of pesticides listed for Curry Leaves in Regulation (EC) No. 396/2005 of the European parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005). Accordingly, in the case of shipments of Curry Leaves in dried form exported from India to EU, Spices Board will be the issuing Official Certificate based on Cleared Analytical Report for level of pesticide residues.

In the light of the above, the list of mandatory tests required for export of spices and spice products, under reference 1 has been amended and is placed as Annexure 1, for information and compliance.

This circular, issued under the provisions of the Spices Board Act 1986 & Spices Board (Registration of Exporters) Regulations 1989, will take effect from **27.03.2023** and shall remain in force until further guidelines / instructions are prescribed by Spices Board, in this regard.



Director (Marketing)

To

All Exporters of Spices and Spice Products/ Exporters' Associations.

All Commissioners/ Officials concerned of Customs, across India.

Copy to:

- 1) Shri Arun Kumar, Deputy Director, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, GoI.
- 2) All Offices/ QELs of Spices Board.
- 3) Deputy Director, EDP, Spices Board to host in the Board's website.

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(Hindi version follows)

Mandatory Sampling & Testing of export consignments of Spices and Spice products under the Quality Evaluation System of Spices Board

COUNTRY/REGION	SPICES (IN DRIED FORM) & SPICE PRODUCTS	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ITC HS CODE	PARAMETER	MAXIMUM LIMIT
A	B	C	D	E	F
European Union (EU) & Northern Ireland (UK)	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1 Aflatoxin Total	5 ppb 10 ppb
	Turmeric Whole & Turmeric Sliced	Dried (turmeric)	ex 09103020		
		Other (Sliced)	ex 09103090		
	Ginger Whole & Ginger Products	Dried, unbleached (ginger)	09101120		
		Dried, bleached (ginger)	09101130		
		Powder	0910 12 10		
		Other (Crushed or ground)	0910 12 90		
	Nutmeg Whole & Nutmeg Products	Other (neither crushed nor ground) including Sliced	ex 09101190		
		In shell (nutmeg)	09081110		
		Shelled (nutmeg)	09081120		
	Mace Whole & Mace Products	Crushed or ground	0908 12 00		
		Neither Crushed Nor Ground	09082100		
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Crushed or ground	0908 22 00		
		Chilli powder	090422 11		
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19			
	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100			
Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010			
	Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040			
				Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
				Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
				Sudan I- IV	Not Detected

	Other	ex 21039090		
Ready to Eat (RTE) items \$ (refer applicability given in page No.17)	Chilli Pickle	HS Code ex 0910/ ex 2103	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Other Pickles			
	Chilli Sauce			
	Other Sauces			
	Chilli Chutney			
	Other Chutney/Chutney powder			
	Others			
Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Others	09103090	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
Curry Leaves ©	Other Spices, N.E.S	09109990	Sudan I– IV	Not Detected
			117 pesticides listed in Regulation (EC) No. 396/2005 of the European parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005(including Ethylene oxide)	As specified in Regulation EC No 396/2005
Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
	Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max.
Spices and Spice products requiring mandatory testing and Health Certificate/official Certificate for Ethylene oxide (ETO) ^^				
Chilli		HS/CN Code 0904	Ethylene Oxide	0.02 ppm
Ginger		HS / CN Code 0910		

Pepper	HS/CN Code 0904	Ethylene Oxide	0.1 ppm
Pimenta (Allspice)	HS/CN Code 0904		
Vanilla	HS/CN Code 0905		
Cinnamon and cinnamon-tree flowers	HS/CN Code 0906		
Cloves (whole fruit, cloves and stems)	HS/CN Code 0907		
Nutmeg, mace and cardamoms	HS/CN Code 0908		
Seeds of anise, badian, fennel, coriander, cumin or caraway; juniper berries	HS/CN Code 0909		
Saffron, turmeric (curcuma), curry and other spices	HS/CN Code 0910		
Food supplements containing botanicals	HS/CN Code - ex 1302 HS/CN Code- ex 2103		
Mustard Seeds	HS Code 0910/CN Code 1207	Ethylene Oxide	0.05 ppm
Mustard flour and meal and prepared mustard	HS Code 0910/CN Code 2103		
Thyme, Laurel/bay leaves/ Curry Leaves	HS/CN Code 2103/1211		
Basil, Rosemary, Sage	HS/CN Code 1211		
Parsley, Tarragon	HS/CN Code 0712		
Celery	HS Code 0910/CN Code 0709		

	Spice Mix viz. masalas, curry gravy, RTE, Ready to Cook products etc. containing one or more of the spices mentioned above		HS Code ex 0910/ ex 2103	Ethylene Oxide	0.1 ppm	
	Sauces and preparations; mixed condiments and mixed seasonings containing one or more of the spices mentioned above		HS/CN Code 2103	Ethylene Oxide		
	<i>Chilli, Chilli Powder and products containing Chilli including Ready to Eat (RTE) items which contain chilli in a quantity of above 20%</i>		<i>Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for Aflatoxin from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU & Northern Ireland (U.K), for consignments of (i) Chilli and (ii) products containing Chilli in a quantity of above 20%, originating in India. The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Aflatoxin.</i>			
	<i>Spices and spice products covered under HS/CN Code 0904 to 0910, ex 2103, ex 1302</i>		<i>Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for Ethylene Oxide from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU & Northern Ireland(U.K), for consignments of Spices and spice products originating in India. The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Ethylene Oxide.</i>			
	<i>Curry Leaves</i>		<i>Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for pesticides (including Ethylene Oxide) from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU & Northern Ireland (U.K), for consignments of dried curry leaves originating in India. The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Pesticide Residues.</i>			
United Kingdom	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1 Aflatoxin Total	5 ppb	
	Turmeric Whole	`Dried (turmeric)	ex 09103020		10 ppb	
		Other (Sliced)	ex 09103090			
	Ginger Whole & Ginger Products	Dried, unbleached (ginger)	09101120			
		Dried, bleached (ginger)	09101130			

	Powder	0910 12 10		
	Other (Crushed or ground)	0910 12 90		
	Other (neither crushed nor ground) including Sliced	ex 09101190		
Nutmeg Whole & Nutmeg Products	In shell (nutmeg)	09081110		
	Shelled (nutmeg)	09081120		
	Crushed or ground	0908 12 00		
Mace Whole & Mace Products	Neither Crushed Nor Ground	09082100		
	Crushed or ground	0908 22 00		
Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Chilli seed	090422 12		
	Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I- IV	Not Detected
	Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
	Other	ex 21039090		
Curry Leaves	Other Spices, N.E.S	09109990	Profenofos	0.05ppm
			Triazophos	0.01ppm
			Endosulfan	0.05ppm
Cumin Seeds#	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
	Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max
Ready to Eat (RTE) items ¶	Chilli Pickle	HS Code ex 0910/ ex 2103	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
	Other Pickles			
	Chilli Sauce		Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
	Other Sauces			

		Chilli Chutney			
		Other Chutney/Chutney powder			
		Others			
	Turmeric Powder & Products (Except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
		Others	09103090	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
				Sudan I- IV	Not Detected
	Chilli, Nutmeg, Nutmeg and Chilli containing products including Ready to Eat (RTE) items which contain chilli and/or Nutmeg in a quantity of above 20% \$	Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for Aflatoxin from Spices Board is required for entry to the U.K. for consignments of Chilli and Nutmeg and for products containing Chilli and/or Nutmeg in a quantity of above 20% as a single product or sum of both. The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Aflatoxin.			
USA	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	20ppb
				Salmonella	Absent in 25g
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	20ppb
				Sudan I- IV	Not Detected
				Salmonella	Absent in 25g
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder& Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100		

	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I- IV	Not Detected
		Other	09103090		
	Cumin Seeds#	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max.
	Cumin Ground	Crushed Or ground (cumin)	0909 32 00	Salmonella	Absent in 25g
	Canada	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total
Chilli Powder & Chilli Products		Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	15 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
Curry Powder & Curry Masalas		Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
Curry Pastes		Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)		Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Other	09103090		

	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max
South Africa	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1 Aflatoxin Total	5 ppb 10 ppb
		Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin B1
	Chilli seed		090422 12		
	Other (crushed or ground)		090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Curry masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max
North American Countries other than USA and Canada	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
		Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total
	Chilli seed		090422 12		
	Other (crushed or ground)		090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		

	Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not detected
		Other	09103090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00 % Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25 % Max
Japan	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
			Triazophos	0.01 ppm	
			Iprobenfos	0.01 ppm	
			Profenofos	3.00 ppm	
		Chlorpyrifos	2.00 ppm		
		Ethion	0.30 ppm		
		Methyl parathion	1.00 ppm		
		Parathion	0.40 ppm		
		Phorate	0.30 ppm		
Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb	
			Sudan I-IV	Not Detected	
			Triazophos	0.01 ppm	
Chilli seed	090422 12			Iprobenfos	0.01 ppm
		Profenofos	3.00 ppm		
		Chlorpyrifos	2.00 ppm		
		Ethion	0.30 ppm		
		Methyl parathion	1.00 ppm		
		Parathion	0.40 ppm		
		Phorate	0.30 ppm		
Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19				

	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas**	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total Sudan I-IV Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	10 ppb Not Detected 0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Curry Pastes**	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Aflatoxin Total Sudan I-IV	10 ppb Not Detected
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Other	ex 21039090	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Cumin Seeds#	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter Other Seeds	3.00% Max 0.25% Max
		Other	09093129	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm

323434/2023/ADMINISTRATION	Cumin Seed ground	Crushed Or ground (Cumin)	0909 32 00	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Turmeric Powder & Products (Except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Other	09103090	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Turmeric whole	Dried (turmeric)	09103020	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Other (Sliced/Split)	09103090	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
	Cardamom - whole & ground	Large (amomum) (cardamom)	09083110	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Small (elettaria), alleppey green (cardamom)	09083120	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Small, coorg green (cardamom)	09083130	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Small-bleached, half-bleached or bleachable (cardamom)	09083140	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Small (mixed)	09083150	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Other	09083190	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Powder	0908 32 10	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm
		Small Cardamom seeds	0908 32 20	Triazophos Iprobenfos Profenofos Chlorpyrifos Ethion Methyl parathion Parathion Phorate	0.01 ppm 0.01 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 5.00 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.50 ppm 1.00 ppm

		Cardamom husk	0908 32 30		
		Other cardamom crushed or ground	09083290		
	Black Pepper – whole & ground	Light black pepper	09041120	Triazophos	0.01 ppm
		Black pepper, garbled	09041130	Iprobenfos	0.01 ppm
		Black pepper, ungarbled	09041140	Profenofos	5.00 ppm
				Chlorpyrifos	5.00 ppm
		Other (neither crushed or ground)	09041190	Ethion	5.00 ppm
	Pepper, crushed or ground	09041200	Methyl parathion	1.00 ppm	
	Fenugreek - whole & ground	Fenugreek (seed)	09109912	Parathion	0.50 ppm
				Phorate	1.00 ppm
Fenugreek (powder)		09109924	Triazophos	0.01 ppm	
Other	09103090	Iprobenfos	0.01 ppm		
		Profenofos	5.00 ppm		
Australia & New Zealand	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	15 ppb
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	15 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		

	Turmeric Powder & Products (except sliced)	Powder (turmeric)	09103030	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Other	09103090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max
Malaysia	Chilli Whole *	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
				Aflatoxin Total	10 ppb
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin B1	5 ppb
			090422 12		
			090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Curry Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
Other		09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max	
South East Asian Countries (excluding Malaysia), Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan,	Chilli Whole *	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11		
Chilli seed			090422 12		

Afghanistan		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max
	China	Chilli Whole *	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total
Chilli Powder & Chilli Products		Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
Curry Powder & Masalas		Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100		
Curry Pastes		Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		

	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
				Other Seeds	0.25% Max
		Other	09093129	Carbosulfan Chlorpyrifos Carbendazim	0.07 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.3 ppm
				Cyfluthrin and Beta-cyfluthrin	0.03 ppm
				Cypermethrin and Beta-cypermethrin	0.1 ppm
				Malathion Disulfoton Accephate Profenofos	1.00 ppm 0.05 ppm 0.2 ppm 5.00 ppm
	Cumin Seed ground	Crushed Or ground (Cumin)	0909 32 00	Carbosulfan Chlorpyrifos Carbendazim	0.07 ppm 1.00 ppm 0.3 ppm
				Cyfluthrin and Beta-cyfluthrin	0.03 ppm
				Cypermethrin and Beta-cypermethrin	0.1 ppm
				Malathion Disulfoton Accephate Profenofos	1.00 ppm 0.05 ppm 0.2 ppm 5.00 ppm
All other countries	Chilli Whole	Fruits of the genus Capsicum	09042110	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb

	Chilli Powder & Chilli Products	Chilli powder	090422 11	Aflatoxin Total	30 ppb
		Chilli seed	090422 12		
		Other (crushed or ground)	090422 19		
	Curry Powder & Masalas	Mixtures of 2/more products of different headings of 09.04-09.10	ex 09109100	Sudan I-IV	Not Detected
	Curry Pastes	Curry paste	ex 21039010		
		Mixed, condiments and mixed seasoning	ex 21039040		
		Other	ex 21039090		
	Cumin Seeds #	Of seed quality (cumin, other than black)	09093121	Extraneous Matter	3.00% Max.
		Other	09093129	Other Seeds	0.25% Max

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* Container stuffing for export of Chilli Whole is permitted based on the 'Sample Drawn Certificate' provided by Spices Board for South East Asian countries (including Malaysia), Sri Lanka, Maldives, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan, Afghanistan and China.

Container stuffing for export of Cumin Seeds is permitted based on the 'Sample Drawn Certificate' provided by Spices Board to all destinations except EU, USA, China and Japan. In the case of EU, USA, China and Japan, exports of Cumin seeds are permitted only with the Cleared Analytical Report issued by Spices Board.

** The Pesticide limits specified for Curry Powders, Curry Masalas and Curry pastes for Japan are applicable only for such products which have a quantity of Chilli & Chilli products of less than 20%. For Curry Powders, Curry Masalas and Curry Pastes which have a Chilli content of 20% and above, the Pesticide limits for Chilli and Chilli products shall apply.

^^ For Spices and spice products covered under HS/CN Code 0904 to 0910, ex 2103, ex 1302 ; CN Codes may also be checked, for ascertaining applicability of testing for ETO.

- Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for Ethylene Oxide (ETO) from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU & Northern Ireland (U.K) for consignments of spices and spice products covered under HS Code 0904 to 0910, ex 2103, ex 1302. The Health Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Ethylene Oxide.

Based on request from exporters, Official Certificate will also be issued for Aflatoxin and ETO for consignments to EEA countries (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway), Switzerland, and UK for ETO, based on the Cleared Analytical Report.

§ In the case of RTE products to E.U & Northern Ireland (U.K), testing and clearance for Ethylene Oxide (ETO) is mandatory, for items falling under the corresponding HS/CN Codes. Further, testing and clearance for aflatoxin is applicable only if the item contains Chilli in a quantity of 20 % or above.

¶ In the case of RTE products to U.K, testing and clearance for Aflatoxin is applicable only if the item contains Chilli and / or Nutmeg in a quantity of above 20%, either as a single product or as the sum of these products. Health Certificate / Official Certificate will be issued by the Board based on the Cleared Analytical Report for level of Aflatoxin. Health Certificate / Official Certificate (HC) for ETO is not mandatory for U.K.

© Health Certificate (HC) / Official Certificate for pesticides (including Ethylene Oxide) from Spices Board is required for entry to the EU & Northern Ireland (U.K), for consignments of dried curry leaves originating in India.

'ex' Where only certain products under any ITC HS Code are to be tested and no specific subdivision under that ITC HS Code exist with description, the ITC HS Code is marked 'ex'.

The Mandatory Sampling & Testing of export consignments of Spices and Spice products does not apply to the consignments that are not intended to be placed on the market viz. trade samples, laboratory samples, display samples for exhibitions etc., unless their net weight exceeds **10 Kg**. Also, samples that are part of passengers' personal luggage and are intended for personal consumption are exempted up to a net weight of 2 Kg.



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