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Sub:- Reported Adulteration and shipment of inferior quality of cumin
(Jeera) - reg.

The Spices Board has been receiving several representations on adulteration and shipment on inferior quality of cumin (Jeera) from Gujrat. Since such reported shipments will affect the image and reputation of the country as well as possible threat for exporting Indian cumin the following revised procedures in sampling is introduced with immediate effect.

1. Sampling intimations shall be placed one day prior to the proposed sampling date.
2. The certificate shall be issued by the Spices Board based on the undertaking on the day of stuffing.
3. Undertakings shall be submitted to the Board before 2 PM for processing and issuing the certificate.
4. No stuffing is permitted without the presence of Customs / Central Excise officer.
5. There shall be random sampling at the Mundra Port (Customs Area) by the Spices Board officials for confirmatory testing of the consignments.
6. The Spice Board shall also undertake surveillance/ inspection at the stuffing area/ Mundra Port /Rajkot / Unjha during the months of April/May.

Considering the importance and ensuring food safety by supplying/ exporting quality cumin seeds, we request all the exporters of cumin and other seed spices to kindly co-operate and support the efforts of the Spices Board in retaining up the countries image and reputation and sustain the developments in the spices industry.

DIRECTOR (MKTG)

To

All the Exporters