

NEWSLETTER THE SPICE AROMA

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THE THEME OF THE YEAR "CREATING SYNERGY BETWEEN FARMERS, TRADERS AND GOVT"



6th Mid term meet Junagadh Date 20.10.24



Trade Delegation to Turkey, Tentatively during December 2024



9th Annual Spice Meet,, Goa, March 2025:

From the chairman's desk



Greetings from Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders

Wishing you all Happy Navratri

Your Federation has been actively taking up issues faced by Spice trade with FSSAI, Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Agriculture, Spice Board, Govt. of Rajasthan, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh and other authorities from time to time.

I am pleased to inform the following events planned by the Federation

- ➤ The 6th Mid-term meet of the Federation is scheduled to be held in Junagadh on 20th October 2024 at The Ferns Leo Resort, Junagadh. We will have panel discussion by experts on the Technical and Fundamentals of the seed spices. We will be honouring and felicitating the Legends of the Spice trade for their immense support for the development of the Spice trade.
- > The 9th Annual Spice Trade Meet is planned in Goa tentatively in March 2025, Our esteemed Directors Shri Bharat Dasani, Shri Vinay Patel and Shri Niraj Patel have gone to Goa to scout for a of suitable Hotel and logistic support.
- Federation is planning to mount a Trade delegation to Turkey sometime in December 2024 to access cumin situation and collaborate with their Local chamber of commerce to arrange B2B meeting to boost the bi-lateral trade between India and Turkey on spices and Agro-products. Shri Yogesh Mehta, Trustee is coordinating with the counterparts in Turkey for the mounting the trade delegation.

Request all members not to have any business deal with Taj Al Iman Foodstuff Trading Co. LLC, Dubai, UAE, Office No-Mo6, Business Point Building, Port Saeed Deira, Dubai, UAE owned by Mr. Hemant Dharampal, Passport No. P6633129 & Mr. Akbar Hussain Mirza Jamadar Mirza, Passport No. V9755032 who have in collision with Vishal Thakur (Mobile No. +91 84275 77115 Email vishal-thakur@globalcargomov.in), Global Cargo Movers s.c.o New Delhi-110019 & X-Trans Logistics Pvt Ltd have fraudulently and dishonestly obtain the delivery of the shipment in Dubai without making payment causing huge loss to our member.

We have been by our esteemed member M/s Ratanraj Foods had exported Clove stems valued at US 112500 to M/s ALDO, Madagascar who have cheated and not paid for the consignment. It is therefore cautioned to all our members not to deal with Mr Bhathiya MA, Director of ALDO Partner, having their office at LOT-5 PLLE 13/75, Tanambo -5 Tamatave, Madagascar Ph No + 261328148421, 261342048422 Email id waldopartnerssarl@gmail.com who have cheated many parties earlier

We look forward to your co-operation and support for advancing the objective of the Federation which will boost the Spice trade eco-system.

With warm regards

Ashwin Nayak, Chairman, Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders

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| | Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders, Unjha, Gujarat Trustees and Board of Directors for the year 2024-2025 |
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| | Trustees Trustees |
| 1 | Shri Pukhraj Chopra – Trustee |
| 2 | Shri Yogesh Mehta – Trustee |
| 3 | Shri Ashvin Patel – Trustee |
| 4 | Shri Mayur Mehta – Trustee In-charge Farmer Welfare Committee |
| 5 | Shri Suresh Chandarana - Trustee |
| | Board of Directors |
| 1 | Shri Ashwin Nayak, Founder - Chairman Federation |
| 2 | Shri U Karthik, Co-Chairman Federation |
| 3 | Shri Tejus Gandhi Hon' Secretary, Federation |
| 4 | Shri Hardik Patel Hon' Jt. Secretary, Federation |
| 5 | Shri Devendra Patel, Director, Past Chairman, Federation |
| 6 | Shri Mitesh Kumar Patel, Director & Past Chairman, Federation |
| 7 | Shri Kishore Shah Treasurer, Federation |
| 8 | Shri Bharat Dasani – Chairman North West Region |
| 9 | Shri Sameer Shah – Director International Trade |
| 10 | Shri Vijay Joshi – Director Media coordinator |
| 11 | Shri Niraj Patel – Director Govt. Co-ordination |
| 12 | Shri Faisal Sorathia – Director Membership Drive |
| 13 | Shri Sitaram Patel – Director Domestic Trade |
| 14 | Shri Tarun Patel – Director Official Spokesperson |
| 15 | Shri Aditya Mota – Director Event Co-coordinator |
| 16 | Shri Vinay Patel |
| 17 | Shri Hasmukh Patel |
| 18 | Shri Dinesh Bhatter |
| 19 | Shri Karan Ganatra |
| 20 | Shri Chirag Adhiya |
| 21 | Shri Arvind Ghodadra |
| 22 | Shri Ajay Goyal |
| 23 | Shri Ganeshan Pillai, Director General |

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TOTAL EXPORT (CUMIN SEED/POWDER) AUGUST 2024

TOTAL EXPORT (CUMIN SEED/POWDER) MONTH EXPORT(MT) MONTH EXPORT(MT) MONTH EX-(20222023) (20232024) (2024-PORT(MT) 2025) **MARCH 2022 MARCH 2023** MARCH 13597 MT 20148 MT 33230 MT 2024 **APRIL 2022** 10475 MT **APRIL 2023** 17169 MT **APRIL 2024** 41185 MT **MAY 2022 MAY 2023 MAY 2024** 15639 MT 25975 MT 22885 MT **JUNE 2022** 20345 MT **JUNE 2023** 9829 MT **JUNE 2024** 16810 MT **JULY 2024 JULY 2022** 20345 MT **JULY 2023** 7994 MT 20217 MT **AUGUST 2022** 24439 MT **AUGUST 2023** 7640 MT **AUGUST** 14372 MT 2024 SEPTEMBER 16978 MT **SEPTEMBE** 7196 MT 2022 R 2023 **OCTOBER** OCTOBER 11508 MT 7627 MT 2022 2023 **NOVEMBER** 11685 MT **NOVEMBE** 9712 MT R 2023 2022 **DECEMBER** 12100 MT **DECEMBER** 13725 MT 2022 2023 **JANUARY JANUARY** 9325 MT 14094 MT 2023 2024 **FEBRUARY** 13117 MT **FEBRUARY** 13585 MT 2023 2024 TOTAL **EXPORT** TOTAL **EXPORT** TOTAL **EXPORT EXPORT** 1,79,553 MT **EXPORT** 1,54,694 MT **EXPORT** 1,48,699

(MARCH

2022 TO

2023)

FEBRUARY

(CUMIN BAG

55 KG =

32,64,600

LAKH BAGS

EXPORT)

(MARCH

2023 TO

2024)

FEBRUARY

(CUMIN BAG

55 KG =

28,12,618

EXPORT)

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(MARCH

FEBRUARY

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MT (CUMIN

BAG

55 KG =

27,03,618 LAKH BAGS EXPORT)

Export data of Cumin and Seed spices Courtesy: Shri Devendra Patel, Director & Past Chairman, FISS

EXPORT OF SEED SPICES FOR JULY 2024

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| Export Data in | Jan-21 | Jan-22 | Jan-23 | Jan-24 |
| Metric Ton | | | | |
| Cumin seed | 12,967.01 | 13,428.59 | 8,049.17 | 13,231.19 |
| Fennel Seed | 1,541.34 | 1,468.66 | 2,167.91 | 3,752.14 |
| Coriander | 3,923.97 | 2,461.90 | 3,548.63 | 6,225.32 |
| Fenugreek seeds | 2,540.82 | 2,097.54 | 2,094.80 | 2,201.91 |
| | Feb-21 | Feb-22 | Feb-23 | Feb-24 |
| Cumin seed | 16,023.68 | 12,620.09 | 11,362.19 | 11882.46 |
| Fennel Seed | 3,048.28 | 2,561.75 | 951.47 | 1990.59 |
| Coriander | 2,177.30 | 2,249.89 | 3,637.07 | 6577.43 |
| Fenugreek seeds | 3,259.24 | 1,921.46 | 2,075.10 | 3691.74 |
| | Mar-21 | Mar-22 | Mar-23 | Mar-24 |
| Cumin seed | 33,203.08 | 13,406.43 | 18,552.11 | 33250.41 |
| Fennel Seed | 5,894.67 | 1,580.99 | 938.64 | 1882.75 |
| Coriander | 4,717.10 | 3,076.23 | 11,477.52 | 8289.76 |
| Fenugreek seeds | 2,157.24 | 2,408.14 | 1,879.40 | 3682.4 |
| | Apr-21 | Apr-22 | Apr-23 | Apr-24 |
| Cumin seed | 30,274.23 | 9,561.19 | 16281.87 | 39182.42 |
| Fennel Seed | 6,429.75 | 1,971.89 | 6388.14 | 13396.75 |
| Coriander | 4,813.83 | 3,124.17 | 10300.26 | 6054.49 |
| Fenugreek seeds | 2,836.86 | 3,886.70 | 2272.85 | 3562.39 |
| | May-21 | May-22 | May-23 | May-24 |
| Cumin seed | 19,452.49 | 13,372.75 | 24,794.40 | 22280.95 |
| Fennel Seed | 4,491.72 | 3,042.27 | 9,832.53 | 9574.92 |
| Coriander | 3,168.27 | 3,047.77 | 24,389.01 | 5492.14 |
| Fenugreek seeds | 3,176.70 | 3,777.38 | 3,848.12 | 4202.87 |
| | Jun-21 | Jun-22 | Jun-23 | Jun-24 |
| Cumin seed | 28,650.05 | 19,534.38 | 10,411.13 | 16624.46 |
| Fennel Seed | 6,483.32 | 1,980.97 | 1,974.74 | 11044.09 |
| Coriander | 3,350.79 | 2,427.04 | 12,240.90 | 5482.71 |
| Fenugreek seeds | 2,243.63 | 2 220 74 | 4 702 06 | 4174 20 |
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| Cumin seed Fennel Seed | Jul-21 22,544.96 3,334.63 | Jul-22 19,096.00 1,474.77 | Jul-23 8,297.80 1,153.54 | Jul-24 19082.13 7628.22 |
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Turmeric Prices Surge all are eyeing the 16000 level, Amid Stock Holding, Supply Concerns and rain concerns in key sowing areas Kedia Advisory Services

Turmeric prices rise as farmers hold back stocks in anticipation of higher rates. Increased sowing in key Indian regions like Erode and Maharashtra, where acreage has surged by 30-35%, could cap further price gains. Despite higher sowing, production is expected to be lower than last year, leading to potential supply constraints. India's turmeric exports fell by 19.52% during April-June 2024, while imports skyrocketed by 485%, reflecting strong domestic demand. In Maharashtra, heavy rains have damaged crops, particularly in Nanded and Hingoli, further tightening supplies. On the NCDEX, turmeric futures show signs of recovery, with resistance looking at ₹16,800 and key support at ₹14,000.

Key Highlights

- # Farmers hold stocks, anticipating further price increases.
- # Increased turmeric sowing in key regions like Erode and Maharashtra.
- # India's turmeric exports drop, while imports surge by 485%.
- # Crop damage reported in Maharashtra due to heavy rains.
- # NCDEX turmeric futures show recovery, with key resistance at 16,800.

Turmeric prices are witnessing an upward trend, driven by a mix of domestic and global factors. Farmers are withholding their stocks, hoping for higher prices as the season progresses. However, increased sowing across key producing regions in India, particularly in Erode, Maharashtra, Telangana, and Andhra Pradesh, may cap the price rally. Sowing in these regions has risen by 30-35%, with total acreage projected to increase from 3.25 lakh hectares last year to nearly 4 lakh hectares this year. Despite this higher sowing activity, 2024 production is forecast to drop to 70-75 lakh bags, below last year's 80-85 lakh bags, indicating potential supply challenges.

On the trade front, India's turmeric exports saw a significant decline of 19.52% during the April-June 2024 period, while imports surged by a staggering 485.40%. This reflects strong domestic demand amid reduced availability for exports. Additionally, global production in Indonesia has faced challenges due to dry weather, with many farmers selling turmeric in its wet stage, which has further tightened global supplies.

The weather in Maharashtra has also played a crucial role, with heavy rains causing crop damage in key turmeric-growing regions like Nanded and Hingoli. The resulting decline in turmeric arrivals, notably from Sangli, where supplies dropped from 11,000 bags to just 890 bags, has created a tighter supply environment.

Finally, Turmeric prices are likely to remain supported due to supply concerns, though increased sowing could limit further gains. Key resistance lies at ₹16,800, with support at ₹14,000, keep an eye on Maharashtra rain.

Cumin Prices Hold Steady despite good carry amid Sowing Concerns which is expected to see a drop of ~18-20% and delay in sowing and good demand

Cumin (jeera) prices are currently stable, driven by strong domestic demand and expectations of delay and reduced sowing due to heavy rainfall in Gujarat. While the rain has replenished water reserves, aiding October's sowing, concerns about waterlogging could delay field preparations and impact yields. Farmers are holding stocks in anticipation of better returns, supported by forecasts of an 18-20% decline in sowing areas. However, rising global production, especially from China, Turkey, and Afghanistan, poses a risk of downward pressure on prices. Despite forecasts for Indian cumin exports to reach 14-15 thousand tonnes by February 2024, global supply may weigh on prices as fresh supplies enter the market.

Key Highlights

- # Cumin prices supported by domestic demand and lower sowing expectations.
- # Heavy rainfall in Gujarat aids sowing but raises waterlogging concerns.
- # Global production surges, with China leading the output boost.
- # Export forecasts rise, expected to reach 14-15 thousand tonnes by February 2024.
- # Volatile trade and global oversupply may pressure cumin prices.

Cumin (jeera) prices are currently stable, bolstered by robust domestic demand and forecasts of reduced sowing areas. The heavy rainfall in Gujarat has replenished water reserves, crucial for the upcoming crop sowing, expected to begin in October. However, the excess moisture has led to concerns about waterlogged fields, which may delay sowing and negatively affect yields. The anticipated 18-20% decline in cumin sowing areas is helping support current price levels, as farmers are withholding stocks in anticipation of higher returns.

In addition to domestic developments, global cumin production is seeing a notable surge. China's cumin output is projected to nearly double to 55-60 thousand tonnes, while Turkey and Afghanistan are also ramping up production, with Turkey expected to yield 12-15 thousand tonnes. This increase in global supply could exert downward pressure on cumin prices, particularly if export volumes do not match the rising availability of cumin on the global market.

Despite the volatile export trade, India's strong domestic demand continues to underpin prices. The forecast for exports reaching 14-15 thousand tonnes by February 2024 adds further support. However, as fresh supplies enter the market and international competition intensifies, jeera prices may face headwinds if global oversupply outweighs demand.

Finally, Cumin prices are currently supported, and further prices are expected to trade positively as growing concerns on sowing area drop and festival demand in the coming months.

Dhaniya Market Shows Cautious Optimism Amid Weather Concerns

The Dhaniya (coriander) market is showing cautious optimism despite lower-than-expected production, with prices remaining stable due to steady arrivals from key states like Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Gujarat. For the week ending September 21, 2024, all-India Dhaniya arrivals stood at 4,483.60 tonnes, a 16.95% decrease from the previous week. While farmers in Gujarat had shifted to cumin last year, there is potential for a return to coriander cultivation post-Dussehra. Weather remains a key concern, with heavy rains in Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat posing risks of waterlogging, which could impact crops. On the technical front, NCDEX coriander futures show recovery, with resistance around ₹7,550-₹7,850 and support at ₹7,080.

Key Highlights

- # Dhaniya arrivals saw a 16.95% decline last week.
- # Prices remain stable despite lower production estimates.
- # Potential shift in sowing trends post-Dussehra.
- # Weather in key states poses risks to coriander crops.
- # NCDEX futures show recovery, with resistance at ₹7,400-₹7,500.

The Dhaniya (coriander) market is currently experiencing mixed sentiments, driven by steady prices but looming concerns among stockists and producers. While lower-than-expected domestic production might typically push prices higher, the anticipated price surge has yet to fully materialize, keeping stockists wary. However, producers are benefiting from stable prices due to consistent arrivals from major growing states such as Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Gujarat. For the week ending September 21, 2024, all-India Dhaniya arrivals stood at 4,483.60 tonnes, reflecting a 16.95% decline from the previous week.

Coriander cultivation dynamics are likely to change, especially after Dussehra on October 12, as sowing begins in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh. Many farmers in Gujarat shifted to cumin last year due to record-high prices,

but with cumin prices normalizing, the potential for a resurgence in coriander cultivation is high. Mid-October will be crucial in determining how sowing trends evolve, and thus, overall coriander production.

Weather remains a key factor in shaping the market's future. Madhya Pradesh is currently facing forecasts of heavy rainfall, which could negatively impact the standing coriander crop through waterlogging. Similarly, East Rajasthan may see delayed monsoon withdrawal, affecting sowing timing, crop maturity, and yield. Heavy rains in Gujarat's Saurashtra and Kutch regions also risk disrupting post-monsoon preparations.

On the technical front, NCDEX coriander futures have shown signs of recovery, currently trading at ₹7,350. Key resistance levels are seen between ₹7,550 followed by and ₹7,850, while support rests at ₹7,080.

Finally, while Dhaniya prices show resilience, the market remains vulnerable to demand shifts and weather volatility. Caution is advised for traders.







SPICES BOARD

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P&C/0001/2024-PLANNING & CO-ORDINATION

20 August 2024

CIRCULAR

Sub: Modalities / Guidelines for implementation of " Sustainability in Spice Sector through Progressive, Innovative and Collaborative Interventions for Export Development (SPICED)" during the remaining period of Fifteenth Finance Commission Cycle up to 2025-26

The Ministry of Commerce & Industry vide letter No. 2/20/2020-Plant-D dated 22nd February 2024 has conveyed the approval of Spices Board's scheme (EFC proposal) titled 'Sustainability in Spice Sector through Progressive, Innovative and Collaborative Interventions for Export Development (SPICED), for implementation during the remaining period of the Fifteenth Finance Commission Cycle, up to 2025-26.

Accordingly, Spices Board had prepared the guidelines/modalities for implementation of the scheme, which was submitted to the Ministry of Commerce & Industry for approval. Subsequently, the Ministry vide letter no.2/20/2020-Plant D dated 30th July 2024 has approved the general guidelines for the implementation of "Sustainability in Spice Sector through Progressive, Innovative, and Collaborative Interventions for Export Development (SPICED)" scheme.

Further, as instructed by the Ministry, the scheme rules for implementation of SPICED scheme were placed in the special Board meeting held on 25th July 2024 and the Board approved the scheme rules.

A copy of the Modalities / Guidelines, including general guidelines and scheme rules are attached as Annexure 1 for kind information. The online submission of application for availing assistance under various programs of the SPICED scheme will commence from 20th September 2024.

All the exporters, farmers, FPOs and other stakeholders of the spices sector are hereby requested to peruse the guidelines and make use of the opportunity for submission of applications for availing eligible assistance under the programs of the SPICED Scheme.

Encl: Modalities / Guidelines for implementation of SPICED scheme.

- i) All the exporters, farmers, FPOs and other stakeholders of the spices sector Copy to
 - i) All Regional/ Divisional/ Field Offices of Spices Board, QELs, Spices Parks, ICRI & RRS: to provide wide publicity for the SPICED Scheme and to take immediate steps for implementation of the scheme.
 - ii) All Directors of Spices Board, for information and needful.

iii) Deputy Director (Plantations), DoC for kind information.

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More Information click below link:

https://www.indianspices.com/sites/default/files/Guidelines%20for%20implementation%20of%20SPICED%20Schemesigned.pdf

No. K-44026/4/2017-TPD-Part(5)
Government of India
M/o Commerce & Industry
D/o Commerce
(TNM-II Division)

Vanijya Bhawan, Akbar Road New Delhi-110001

Date: 30.08.2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Compliance Checkpoint for exporters to EU under European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) - reg.

This is regarding the European Union's new regulation on deforestation, the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR), which will come into effect on December 30, 2024. This regulation aims to curb international deforestation by imposing strict compliance requirements on goods imported into the EU.

- 2. The compliance checkpoints necessary for Indian exporters to adhere to the EUDR have been outlined in the attached document as Annexure. In light of the upcoming implementation date, it is crucial for all relevant stakeholders to familiarize themselves with these requirements to ensure smooth transitions and continued market access.
- 3. In this regard, the undersigned is directed to enclose the compliance checkpoints at **Annexure** and encourage you to review and disseminate this information within your respective organizations. This will help in preparing our exporters and ensuring they meet the EU's regulatory standards.
- We kindly request you to review the compliance requirements and take necessary actions within your domain.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Encl. As above.

(Ayush Kumar) Assistant Director

| Requirements under the El Deforestation Regulation | Compliance Check points |
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| I. Free from deforestation | Subjective and non-exhaustive scope, any evidence of deforestation on the land where the product or its constituents are grown would disqualify the product from being placed in the market. Relevant compliance point- |
| | Evidence of deforestation in the area or region of production |
| II. Due Diligence Statement | |
| geographic coordinates (ger location) of the plots of land when the commodities were produced. | Remotely sensed information (air photos, satellite timages) or other information (e.g. photograph in the field with linked geotags and time stamps) may be used for verifying if the geolocation of declared commodities and products is linked to deforestation. |
| Geolocation coordinates | Collecting the geolocation coordinates of a plot of land can be done via mobile phones, handheld Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) devices and widespread and free-to-use digital applications (e.g. Geographic Information Systems (GIS). These do not require mobile network coverage, only a solid GNSS signal, like those provided by Galileo. |
| Geolocation of land for more than 4 hectares | Geolocation must be provided using polygons, meaning latitude and longitude points of six decimal digits to describe the perimeter of each plot of land. |
| B. Geolocation for less than 4 hectares | A polygon or a single point of latitude and longitude of six decimal digits |
| C. Establishment where Cattle are kept | A single point of geolocation coordinates. geolocate all establishments associated with raising cattle, encompassing the birthplace, farms where they were fed, grazing lands, and slaughterhouses. |
| | Coordinates can be provided in bulk in a file using the GeoJSON standard format.[1] |
| . General Information Required | A. Information Collection: |
| o be submitted in the online registry | a description, including the trade name and type of relevant products for wood products, the common name of the species and its full scientific name |
| | a list of relevant commodities or products contained in, or used to make the products |

| | volume, or number of units) |
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| | identification of the country of production |
| | date or time range of production |
| | name, email and address of any business or person from whom they have been supplied with the relevant products |
| | name, email and address of any business or person to whom the relevant products have been supplied; |
| | adequately conclusive and verifiable information that the relevant products are deforestation-free |
| | adequately conclusive and verifiable information that the relevant commodities have been produced in accordance with the relevant legislation of the country of production. |
| | details of the entire supply chain from beginning to end. |
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| 3. Need to keep the informat | ion 5 years |
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^{1]} Geojson is an Internet Engineering Task Force RFC: https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rlc7946. It is peospatial data interchange format based on JavaScript Object Notation (JSON). It defines several types ISON objects and the way they are combined to represent data about geographic features, their propert and their spatial extents. This standard implies a single option for the coordinate reference system (CF 3eoJSON uses the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84) [WGS84] datum, with longitude and latitude up of decimal degrees.



Bharat Dasani, Vinay Patel & Niraj Patel visit to Goa for finding a suitable venue for the 9th Annual Spice Trade Meet in March 2024

DEAL TRANSPORT

File No. 01/94/180/341/AM20/PC-4
Government of India
Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Department of Commerce
Directorate General of Foreign Trade
Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi 110001

Dated: 31th August 2024

Trade Notice No. 16/2024-2025

To,

Members of Trade and Industry EPCs/FIEO Reserve Bank of India

Subject: Extension of Interest Equalization Scheme (IES) for Pre and Post shipment Rupee Export Credit for One month beyond 31th August, 2024.

Trade and Industry is hereby informed that the Interest Equalization Scheme for Pre and Post shipment Rupee Export Credit, which had earlier been extended up to 31.08.2024 as a fund limited scheme, has been further extended for one month i.e., up to 30.09.2024.

- However, this extension is applicable only for MSME Manufacturing exporters. Apart from that, such extension is made with the same terms and conditions as the present scheme.
- Guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India and relevant RBI notifications issued from time to time on this subject may be referred.

(K. M. Harilal)

Jt. Director General of Foreign Trade

DGFT (HQ)

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Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department of Commerce
Directorate General of Foreign Trade
Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi

Notification No: 32/2024-25 New Delhi, 36 September, 2024

Subject: Extension of RoDTEP scheme for exports made from DTA Units and AA/EOU/SEZ Units -reg

S.O.(E): In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 5 of the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992 read with Para 1.02 of the Foreign Trade Policy 2023, as amended from time to time, the Central Government makes the following changes in Notification No. 70/2023 dated 08.03.2024, namely:

- The RoDTEP Scheme, for export of products manufactured by DTA Units, is being extended beyond 30.09.2024 till 30.09.2025;
- ii. The RoDTEP Scheme, for export of products manufactured by Advance Authorization holders (Except deemed exports), Export Oriented Units (EOUs) and SEZ Units, is being extended beyond 30.09.2024 till 31.12.2024.
- iii. However, notwithstanding the extension of the Scheme provided beyond 30.09.2024 in sub-paras i) and ii) above, in order to adhere to the budgetary framework as provided in Para 4.54 of FTP 2023, so that the outgo remains within the approved budget of the Scheme, necessary changes shall be made to the Scheme benefits, wherever necessary, including revisions or deletions in the eligible RoDTEP export items, rates, per unit value caps and other measures as per Para 4.54 (v), (vi), (vii) of FTP 2023, as and when required.
- 2. The new RoDTEP rates based on the recommendation of RoDTEP Committee are being notified w.e.f. 10.10.2024 under revised Appendix 4R (for DTA units) and Appendix 4RE (for Advance Authorization holders (Except deemed exports), Export Oriented Units (EOUs) and SEZ Units). However, for exports made between 01.10.2024 and 09.10.2024, the existing rates as in Notification No.70/2023 dated 08.03.2024 shall continue to apply.
- 3. The new Appendix 4R and Appendix 4RE containing the eligible RoDTEP export items, rates and per unit value caps, wherever applicable is available at the DGFT portal- www.dgft.gov.in under the link 'Regulations>RoDTEP'.



Effect of this Notification:

The RoDTEP scheme is extended for exports made from DTA Units till 30.09.2025 and AA/EOU/SEZ Units till 31.12.2024. The revised rates as in Appendix 4R and Appendix 4RE are also notified for implementation with effect from 10.10.2024, once the ICEGATE portal gets updated with new rates.

(Santosh Kumar Sarangi)
Director General of Foreign Trade
Ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India
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[Issued from File No. 01/61/180/155/AM21/PC-3/PART-3]

Spices Board Unveils Comprehensive Scheme to

Boost Spices Export and Cardamom Productivity: 04 SEP 2024

Spices Board, under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, has launched a transformative scheme aimed at significantly enhancing the export of spices and value- added spice products as well as improving the productivity of cardamoms and upgrading the post-harvest quality of spices across India for export.

Various programmes rolled out under the scheme 'Sustainability in Spice Sector through Progressive, Innovative and Collaborative Interventions for Export Development (SPICED)' will be implemented during the remaining period of the 15th Finance Commission cycle, till FY 2025-26, with a total approved outlay of Rs. 422.30 crore.

The SPICED scheme is expected to facilitate value addition and to drive innovation and sustainability in the spice sector by introducing new sub-components/programs like the Mission Value Addition, Mission Clean and Safe Spices, promotion of GI spices, support for entrepreneurship through Spice Incubation Centres, etc. The scheme gives thrust on farmers groups / FPOS / Farmers Clusters identified under ODOP and DEH, SC/ST community, Exporters from NE region, and SMEs.

The programs under the components such as Improving the productivity of cardamom and Postharvest quality upgradation of spices are specifically designed to empower farmer groups, including Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs), and Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in key spice-growing regions. These groups will be prioritized for post-harvest improvement of spices, with targeted assistance provided to enhance creation of an exportable surplus of spices, in compliance with the applicable food safety and quality standards.

The programs for cardamom, focuses on increasing the productivity of both small and large cardamom through replanting efforts, production of quality planting material, developing water sources, adopting micro-irrigation systems, etc. Additionally, there are programs to promote weather-based insurance to protect farmers' interests. Similarly, post-harvest quality improvement of spices is addressed through programs such as Mission Clean and Safe Spices through post-harvest improvement by groups in identified clusters, promotion of sustainable production and certification systems and extension advisory services.

In a move to further strengthen value addition in the spice sector, the Board is introducing components such as Enhancing capacities for market expansion, Trade promotion, and Technological interventions. These components offer support for technological and infrastructural interventions for processing and value addition of spices, setting up or upgradation of in-house laboratories, product development, market

development & branding, and implementation of food safety & quality assurance mechanisms, all aimed at improving India's global competitiveness in the spice sector. To strengthen trade promotion efforts, programs have been designed to support participation in international fairs, buyer-seller meets, and for promotion of GI-tagged spices in domestic and global markets. Moreover, the Board provides financial assistance for Spice Incubation Centres to foster innovation and entrepreneurship, providing a platform for startups, SMEs, and entrepreneurs to develop new products and processes within the spices sector. While exporters with a valid Certificate of Registration as Exporter of Spices (CRES) are eligible for assistance under these programs, preference will be given to first-time applicants, Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), etc.

Receipt and processing of applications under the scheme SPICED are online. Spices Board's officials shall support the growers in submitting the application through the online portal, if required. Scheme activities will be geo-tagged and fund availability, status of applications under different components, list of beneficiaries, etc. will be published in the Board's website for better transparency.

This multifaceted scheme underscores the Board's commitment to bolstering India's spice industry, improving farmer livelihoods, and solidifying India's position as a global leader in spice production, processing, and export.

The online submission of application for availing assistance under various programs of the SPICED scheme will commence from 20th September 2024. For more information and assistance, interested stakeholders may visit the Board's website www.indianspices.com or contact the nearest Spices Board office.

फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन स्पाइस स्टेकहोल्डसस - NEWSLETTER – THE SPICE AROMA VOL 3/ISSUE 3 OCTOBER 2024 Theme of the year "Creating synergy between Farmers, Traders and Govt" 6th Mid-Term Meet 2024 at The Fern Leo Resort & Club, Near Girnar Darwala, Talet Road, Junagadh 362001

Continuing in its tradition of spreading Federation's wing across India in focused Spice centric towns, Federation is organsing its 6th Mid-Term meet on 20.10.24 at Junagadh, Gujarat. The Mid-term meet will be focused on the Crop harvested, Technical and Fundamental of the seed spices will be deliberated and discussed with experts and trade members. Legends of the Spice sector will be honored and felicated





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Health benefits of fennel seed water in summer

Fennel seeds water is a refreshing beverage made by soaking fennel seeds in water overnight and drinking the infused water. It is particularly healthy to consume in the summer due to its numerous health benefits. Fennel seeds have natural cooling properties that help reduce body heat, making them ideal for hot weather. Drinking fennel seeds water can thus enhance overall well-being and keep the body cool and refreshed during the summer months.

Here are some health benefits of fennel seed water in summer:

1. Hydration

Fennel seeds infused in water increase the water's flavour, encouraging more water intake, thus promoting hydration. Proper hydration is essential for maintaining body temperature, supporting cellular functions, and ensuring overall well-being.

2. Cooling effect

Fennel seeds have cooling properties that help reduce body heat when consumed. This cooling effect can help prevent heat-related issues such as heat exhaustion and dehydration, making it ideal for summer.

3. Digestive aid

Fennel seeds contain anethole, which stimulates the secretion of digestive juices and enzymes. Improved digestion helps in better nutrient absorption, reducing bloating, and preventing indigestion.

4. Antioxidant properties

Fennel seeds are rich in antioxidants like flavonoids, phenolic compounds, and vitamin C. Antioxidants neutralise free radicals, reducing oxidative stress and lowering the risk of chronic diseases such as cancer and heart disease.

5. Anti-inflammatory effects

Compounds like anethole and limonene in fennel seeds have anti-inflammatory properties. Reducing inflammation can alleviate symptoms of inflammatory conditions like arthritis and support overall immune health.

6. Blood purification

Fennel seeds help in flushing out toxins from the body through increased urine production. Detoxifying the body improves kidney function and can lead to clearer skin and better overall health.

7. Hormonal balance

Fennel seeds contain phytoestrogens, which can help balance hormones. Hormonal balance can alleviate menstrual symptoms, improve reproductive health, and stabilise mood swings.

8. Weight management

Drinking fennel seeds water can boost metabolism and suppress appetite due to its fibre content. Enhanced metabolism and reduced appetite contribute to weight loss and maintenance, supporting overall health.

9. Respiratory health

The anti-inflammatory and antimicrobial properties of fennel seeds help in clearing respiratory tract infections. Improved respiratory health reduces the incidence of colds, coughs, and other respiratory issues, especially beneficial in hot and humid conditions.

10. Skin health

The antioxidants and vitamins in fennel seeds water improve skin health by combating oxidative stress and supporting collagen production. Healthier skin reduces the signs of aging, acne, and other skin issues, contributing to a radiant and clear complexion.

The water is hydrating and aids in digestion, compounds like anethole that stimulate digestive juices and enzymes. Rich in antioxidants and anti-inflammatory agents, fennel seeds water helps detoxify the body, support respiratory health, and promote clearer skin. Additionally, it balances hormones and can aid in weight management by boosting metabolism and suppressing appetite. Incorporating fennel seeds water into your daily routine during the summer can significantly enhance your overall health and help you stay cool and refreshed.

फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन स्पाइस स्टेकहोल्डसस - NEWSLETTER – THE SPICE AROMA VOL 3/ISSUE 3 OCTOBER 2024 Theme of the year "Creating synergy between Farmers, Traders and Govt" Shri Ashwin Nayak, Chairman, FISS one of the panelist at the Grains World Conference in Dubai 10.9.2024







Shri Yogesh Mehta, Trustee, FISS and former Chairman of ISFEA felicated at the 33rd AGM of ISFEA





Dear Food Product Stakeholder,

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has made available its annual Pesticide Residue Monitoring Program Report for Fiscal Year 2022 (FY 2022), summarizing findings from FDA testing of human and animal foods for 757 different pesticides and selected industrial compounds from October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022.

Companies that grow and produce foods and manufacture products intended for use as food that are sold in the U.S. are responsible for following applicable Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and FDA regulations. To protect public health, the FDA's pesticide residue monitoring program tests FDA regulated foods shipped in interstate commerce to determine whether they comply with the pesticide tolerances, or maximum residue levels, set by the EPA. If the FDA finds that the amount of pesticide residue on a food is over the tolerance, or when a pesticide is found and there is no tolerance established, the FDA can take action. For FY 2022, findings show that the levels of pesticide chemical residues in the U.S. food supply are generally in compliance with EPA pesticide tolerances.

Sample collection and analysis in FY 2022 was moderately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Approximately 35% fewer human food samples and 37% fewer animal food samples were collected in FY 2022 compared with FY 2019, the most recent year not impacted by the global pandemic. Sample collection and analysis increased in FY 2022 relative to the FY 2020 and FY 2021 collections.

Overall Findings

Human Food Samples: 2,800 total samples (731 domestic food samples from 41 states and 2,069 imported food samples from 81 countries/economies).

- 96.2% of domestic samples and 89.5% of imported samples were compliant with federal regulations (below EPA tolerances).
- No pesticide chemical residues were detected in 42.7% of domestic samples and 44.6% of imported samples.

Historically, the violation rate for imported foods is higher than for domestic foods, and the FY 2022 report results continue that trend. The higher violation rate affirms the risk-based approach of targeting imported food products that are more likely to contain violative posticide chemical residues, and the countries more likely to export them. In determining which products to sample, the FDA may consider past problem areas, findings from state and federal monitoring, and foreign posticide usage data.

Animal Food Samples: 230 total samples (113 domestic food samples from 26 states and 117 imported samples from 13 countries).

- 95.6% of domestic samples and 100% of imported samples were compliant with federal regulations (below EPA tolerances).
- No pesticide chemical residues were detected in 38.1% of domestic samples and 50.4% of imported samples.

Focused Sampling

In FY 2022, the FDA conducted pesticide analyses for the "Domestically Produced Animal-Derived Foods" assignment. The FDA collected and analyzed 96 samples of selected animal-derived domestic foods, consisting of 36 milk, 30 shell egg, 15 honey, and 15 game meat samples. No violative pesticide chemical residues were found in 99% of the animal-derived foods, and 90.6% of the samples contained no pesticide residues.

IMPORT REJECTIONS IN SPICES FROM EU AND USA AUGUST 2024 (Extracted for India)

RASFF Import Rejection (in Spices)- August 2024

Total Rejections

Most no: import rejections reported from

Spice with the highest number of rejections

India (12)
Cumin (10)
Pesticide residues (12)

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Reason for the most no: of rejections

USFDA Import Refusal (in Spices) – August 2024

Total Rejections 19 Most no: Import rejections reported from India (9)

Spice with the highest number of rejections Reason for the most no: of rejections Mixed spice and seasonings (10) Salmonella (7)

RASFF Alerts

| 13 | Fenugreek | India | Presence of pesticide residues Chlorpyrifos (0.040±0.020 Mg/Kg), Thiamethoxam (0.13±0.07 Mg/Kg) |
|--------|----------------------|--------|---|
| 14 | Psyllium Husk | India | Ethylene Oxide (0.33 Mg/Kg) |
| 15 | Spice Mix | India | Ethylene Oxide (2.7 +/- 1.4 Mg/Kg) |
| Sl. No | Commodity | Origin | Reason For Rejection |
| 4 | Cumin Seeds | India | Pyrrolizidine Alkaloids (694+/-243 µg/Kg) |
| 5 | Ground Cumin | India | Pyrrolizidine Alkaloids (954.8 +/- 477. 4 μg/Kg) |
| 6 | Cumin Seeds | India | Carbendazim (0.59 Mg/Kg) , Chlorpyriphos-Ethyl (0.28 Mg/Kg), Clothianidin (0.13 Mg/Kg) |
| 7 | Cumin Powder | India | |
| 8 | Black Cumin Seeds | India | Presence of pesticide residues Chlorpyrifos (0.086 Mg/Kg) |
| 9 | Black Cumin Seeds | India | Presence of pesticide residues Chlorpyrifos (0.115 Mg/Kg) |
| 10 | Cumin Seeds | India | Presence of pesticide residues Chlorpyrifos (0.36±0.18 Mg/Kg) |
| 11 | Cumin | India | Presence of pesticide residues Azoxystrobin, Acetamiprid, Carbendazim, Chlorpyriphos-Ethyl, Clothianidin, Hexaconazole, Kresoxim-Methyl, Profenofos Unauthorized Substance, Propiconazole, Thiamethoxam, Tolfenpyrad, Tricyclazole |
| 12 | Cumin | India | Presence of pesticide residues Azoxystrobin, Acetamiprid, Benomil/Carbendazim, Chlorpyrifos, Clothianidin, Dinotefuran, Famoxadone, Flonicamid, Fluxapyroxad, Imidacloprid, Kresoxim-Methyl, Metalaxyl, Profenofos, Propiconazole, Thiamethoxam, Tolfenpyrad, Tricyclazole, Trifloxystrobin |

USFDA Alerts

| Sl. No: | Product | Origin | Reason for Rejection | FDA Sample Analysis |
|------------|--|---------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Natural Extract Or Flavor, N.E.C. | Fiji | The article appears to contain an artificial coloring and it fails to bear labeling stating that fact. | No |
| 2 | Mixed Spice And Seaonings, Without Salt, N.E.C. | India | The article appears to contain an artificial coloring and it fails to bear labeling stating that fact. | Private Lab Sample Analysis |
| 3 | Spices And Seasoning, Ground, Cracked, With Salt, N.E.C. | India | The article appears to consist in whole or in part of a filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance or be otherwise unfit for food. | No |
| 9 | Cinnamon, Cassia, Whole (Spice) | India | It appears to bear or contain a poisonous or deleterious substance | No |
| 10 | Cinnamon, Cassia, Whole (Spice) | India | It appears to bear or contain a poisonous or deleterious substance | No |
| 11 | Cinnamon, Cassia, Whole (Spice) | India | It appears to bear or contain a poisonous or deleterious substance | No |
| 12 | Cinnamon, Cassia, Ground, Cracked (Spice) | Vietnam | It appears to contain a poisonous or deleterious substance, lead. | No |
| 13 | Pepper, Black, Ground, Cracked (Spice) | Brazil | It appears to contain Salmonella | No |
| 14 | Mixed Spices And Seasoning With Salt, N.E.C. | Brazil | It appears to contain Salmonella | No |
| 15 | Capsicums (Cayenne Chili, Hot Peppers), Ground, Cracked (Spice) | China | It appears to contain Salmonella | No |
| 16 | Paprika, Whole (Spice) | India | It appears to contain Salmonella | FDA Sample Analysis |
| 17 | Coriander, Ground, Cracked (Spice) | India | It appears to contain Salmonella | No |
| 18 | Spices, Ground, Cracked, Etc., N.E.C. | India | It appears to contain Salmonella | No |
| 19 | Spices And Seasoning, Ground, Cracked, With Salt, N.E.C. | India | It appears to contain Salmonella | No |



Prepared by: Sources:

https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/importrefusals/

 $\underline{https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/rasff-window/portal/?event=SearchForm\&cleanSearch=1}$

Data Courtesy: Yogesh Mehta, Trustee, FISS



22.9.2024

Dear Friends

Greetings from Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders, Unjha Gujarat

Sub: Trade Delegation to Turkey in December 2024

We are pleased to inform that our Federation is planning to mount Trade Delegation to Turkey, tentatively in the first week of December 2024

Turkey has been among the first European countries to develop diplomatic relations with independent India in the year 1947. The close bilateral relationship is based on shared commonalities and commitment to the rule of law, federalism, and pluralism.

India-Turkey economic and commercial cooperation has deepened over the years and constitutes an essential dimension of the bilateral relationship. Several bilateral agreements and institutional mechanisms, at the governmental level and B2B provide the framework for strengthening ties in other sectors.

India's economic engagement with Turkey has acquired new momentum in recent years with considerable increase in India- Turkey trade, which has crossed USD 13.80 billion in 2022-23.

Seed Spices from Turkey

India buys huge quantity to Fennel seed from Turkey almost every alternate year.

We also import Cumin seeds from Turkey and are also one of the largest importers of Turkish Poppy Seeds for several decade.

Spice trade with Turkey in 2022-23 and 2023-24 in US\$ Million

| Year | 2022-23 | 2023-24 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Export to Turkey | 8716.13 | 9609.67 |
| Import from Turkey | 4208.84 | 3780.29 |

Source: Spice Board

There is immense potential to increase the Bi-lateral trade between India and Turkey in Spices and other Agro-Products. Shri Yogesh Mehta, Trustee of the Federation has initiated the mounting of the delegation to Turkey

In pursuant of enhancing the bi-lateral trade between India and Turkey our Federation intent to mount a Trade delegation to Turkey with 8 to 10 leading Exporters and Importers of Seed Spices from India which will help in building a strong business relation and confidence for the mutual benefits of the trade from both the country. Following are some of the proposed activities during the visit to Turkey

A. <u>B2B meet with members from Business Chambers and Association dealing in Spices and Agro-products</u>
During the visit it is proposed to have B2B meet with esteemed members from Business Chambers and Association dealing in Spices and Agro-products which will help introduce one another, their product and scalability of the Business volume.

B. Factory visits in Turkey & Farms

It is also planned to visit Spice and Agro-product manufacturing / processing Infrastructure/Factories, farms which will not only give the delegates good exposure for mutual benefits, but will also help in exchanging ideas which could be implemented in both ends for enhancing efficiency, cost control and adoption of Best business practices.

C. Setting up joint Arbitration facilities

There are sometime trade disputes between importer and exporter due to quality, pricing, etc, which causes huge loss to both the varying parties. A proposal will be made to set up an Arbitration facility jointly with Federation and Business chambers, which will go a long way in resolving any disputes on a timely and cost-effective basis to both the parties.

D. Memorandum of Understanding

In order to strengthen the relationship between Federation and the Business Chamber / Association it is proposed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding covering the area of interest beneficial to the members of both the institutions.

It will be a pleasure to have you as a member of the Trade Delegation which will give you an opportunity to explore new business opportunities in Turkey.

As there are limited seats available on first cum first basis, interested members please send your willingness by filling the details in the enclosed Trade Delegation – Turkey registration form along with send a cheque/DD of Rs 11800 (Rs 10,000/- + 18% GST) for members, for Non-members Rs 17,700 (15,000/- + 18% GST) favoring 'Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders' as non-refundable registration charges or through NEFT as per details given below

Bank Electronic transfer through RTGS: A/c NAME: FEDERATION OF INDIAN SPICE STAKEHOLDERS Current A/c No: 01570200001082. NEFT: BARB0(zero) UNJHAX.: BANK OF BARODA, UNJHA

Please send the form and Cheque / DD to Shri Ghanshyam, Administrator, Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders 504, APMC Building, Market Yard, Unjha–384170, (North Gujarat) Phone: +91 75750 12424, 9638082434 :E-mail: admin@fissh.org, dg@fissh.org

Details of the Itinerary of the program, Place of visit in Turkey, Charges for Airfare, Visa charges, Hotel stay, Local travel, printing of catalogue containing details of the delegates, their products, contact details, etc and other incidental expenses will be intimated once we receive the response from the willing members.

Awaiting your positive response by 5.10.2024,

Thanks in anticipation

With warm regards

Ashwin Nayak Chairman Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders, फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन स्पाइस स्टेकहोल्डसस - NEWSLETTER — THE SPICE AROMA VOL 3/ISSUE 3 OCTOBER 2024

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Trade Delegation to Turkey Registration Form

| Pan No: AADCF0181D | GST No: 24AADCF0181D1Z8 |
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| Name of the person | |
| Designation | |
| Name of the company | |
| Status: Individual /Proprietorship / Partnership / LLP /Pvt. Ltd / Public Limited/ HUF/ Others | |
| Registered office address | |
| Correspondence address | |
| Phone No | Fax No |
| Cell No | WhatsApp No: |
| Passport Details | Issued from: |
| | Valid upto: |
| Email id | Website |
| Nature of business (Please mention Farmer /Trad- | |
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| porter / Agent / Broker / Service provider, Others | |
| Name of the products / service offered. | |
| Country of Export | |
| Country of Import | |
| GST No of the Organisation (Attach a copy) | |
| PAN card of the Organisation (Attach a copy) | |
| Spice Board Registration No & Validity period | |
| Member of any other Association / Business | |
| Chambers / Federation | |
| Registration Charges for Members: 11800 (Rs 10,000 | • |
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Membership renewal form

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| Registered office address | |
| Phone No | Fax No |
| Cell No | WhatsApp No: |
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| Name of the products / service offered. | |
| Country of Export | |
| PAN card of the Organisation (Attach a copy if not already submitted) | |
| Spice Board Registration No & Validity period | |
| Member of any other Association / Business Chambers / Federation | |
| Membership fee Rs 9000/- for 3 years (For 2024, 2025 & 20 | 226 upto 31.12.2026) +18%GST (Rs 1620) = Total 10,620/- |
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New Membership Registration Form

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| Spice Board Registration No & Validity period | |
| Member of any other Association / Business Chambers / Federation | |
| Membership fee Rs 9000/- for three years (For 202 / Admission fee Rs 3000/- +18% GST (Rs 2160) = T | 24, 2025 & 2026 upto 31.12.2026) + One-time Entry otal Rs 14160/- |
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ABOUT US

Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders commonly known as FISS in the agro-trade in India and abroad is a Pan India association of prominent stakeholders of the Spice trade viz Farmers, Traders, Processors, Manufacturers and Exporters with an aim to bring them under one platform for creating a viable Eco-system for a sustainable growth and development of the spice trade.

FISS Head office is situated in Unjha Gujarat which has one of the biggest APMC in the country, well known commercial centre throughout India for its trade of Jeera (Cumin), Variali (Fennel Seeds), Isabgol (Psyllium Husk), Raido (Mustard Seeds), Dhaniya (Coriander), Methi (Fenugreek) among other spices.

The Trustees, office bearers & the Board of Directors of FISS consist of eminent leaders from the Spice Industry who work relentlessly to resolve the issues faced by the trade and represent the trade at appropriate levels.

India is predominantly an agrarian economy; the majority of the country's population depends on agriculture for their livelihood and this sector contributes roughly 14% of the country's total GDP.

FISS is one of its kind in the country and works as a catalyst between farmers and Industry.

As a part of our social responsibility, Federation imparts training to Agricultural University students by involving them in the crop survey and impart practical training as these young minds are the future of the country in sustainable growth, development of the agro-sector and building up food security.

Annual Crop Survey of Seed Spices Viz Coriander, Cumin, Fennel and Fenugreek

The Federation undertakes physical and scientific crop surveys during January and February for the last many years of seed spices. The students of Dantiwada Agri University are engaged to tour the various seed spices growing area for surveying the crops under the guidance of the Federation members, faculty, agriculture experts, farmers and compiling the crop survey report which are presented at the Annual Spice Trade meet. The Federation crop survey report is released in the Annual Spice meet held in the month of March every year. Our reports are referred to by the Spice Trade and Ministry for its near accuracy.

Crop Survey 2024 was supported by Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India

Annual Spice Trade Meet - The most coveted and flagship event of the Federation

Federation has been successfully organising Annual Spice trade meet and Mid-Term meet during the last several years at Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Neemuch and other places. During the annual meet the Crop survey report is revealed and during Mid-term meet review is undertaken to analyze the crop harvested in relation to the crop production estimated.

Interactive Panel discussion are conducted on the major seed spices i.e. Cumin seed, Coriander, Fennel seed and Fenugreek. Veterans and experts from the spice trade are invited as panellists to share their views on the topics moderated by experts from Zee Business, CNBC Awaaz, Times Group, Commodity World and others.

The discussion and deliberation at the panel are focused on Seed spices - Area of cultivation, Yield, Production, effect of climatic changes, Domestic and International consumption and demand pattern, Market Volatility, Stock availability, Effect on usage of pesticides, Organic farming, Crop rotation and Farmers welfare.

Stakeholders from the Spice trade eco-system consisting of farmers, traders, processors, manufacturers, exporters, brokers, agents and others from across India attend this event in large numbers to learn about the sowing, weather conditions, rainfall, crops yield, carried forward stocks, crops from other origin, demand and supply dynamics, future trends of consumption in domestic and international market, etc which are revealed helping them to strategize their business based on the crop survey report accompanied by networking and B2B opportunities amongst the who's who from the Spice and Agro trade.

<u>Awarding Spice trade top performers for Domestic and Exports, farmers, young achievers, startups,</u> Life time achievers

During Annual meet FISS award and recognise the top performers in Domestic and Exports trade, Young Achievers and start-ups, Felicitates veterans and stalwarts from the Spice trade with Life time Achievement award and Farmers for best agriculture practice, promoting cultivation of organic & Integrated Pest management (IPM) crops, etc

International Trade Meet in Dubai, UAE

Federation organised its first International Trade meet consisting of conference and gala dinner attended by 200+ delegates on 17th February 2024 at Dubai, UAE on the eve of the Gulf Food exhibition held from 19th to 24th February 2024. Federation provided a platform to explore new business opportunities, network with industry leaders from India & abroad, Foreign buyers, importers and help stay updated of the current and future trends. Federation plan to have several more such International trade meet in future for enhancing the spice export from India.

Federation esteemed members have a significant contribution to the exports of spices and spice products from India which was close to US\$ 4 BN during 2022-23.

The theme of the Federation for the year is "Creating synergy between Farmers, Traders and Govt"

Federation is led by Mr. Ashwin Nayak, Chairman, Mr. U Karthik, Co-Chairman and Mr. Tejus Gandhi, Honorary Secretary supported by the dynamic Board of Directors and Trustees representing the various facet from the Spice Trade across India.

Federation wishes many happy returns of the day to Shri Miteshbhai Patel, Shri Ganeshan Pillai, Shri Bharatbhai Dasani and Shri Kishore Shah on their birthday celebration

Federation is happy to announce that the prestigious Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry has partnered with Federation and have offered their complimentary membership to those who renew or register New membership of Federation up to 31.12.2023 giving them an opportunity to avail access to GCCI influential Network, supercharge business connect, stay informed about the industry trends and seize collaboration opportunities

Federation Newsletter 'The Spice Aroma' containing Domestic and International news of importance to the Spice trade is being send to our members, Govt Departments/ agencies, Indian & Foreign embassy among others for creating a wider presence of the Federation. 'The Spice Aroma' has attractive advertisement opportunities for members to promote their company and products.

Members are requested to renew their membership and continue enjoying the membership benefits offered by FISS and strengthen its collective power to make its voice heard at the corridor of power. Those who have already renewed may kindly ignore this message.

REVISED MEMBERSHIP FEE

- Membership fee is revised to Rs 9000/- + 18% GST for 3 years (For 2024, 2025 & 2026 upto 31.12.2026)
- O New members enrolment Entry /admission fee Rs 3000/- +Membership fee Rs 9000/- for 3 years +18%GST

We look forward for your comments, feedback, suggestions and articles / writeups related to Spices and Spices products which could be of interest to the Spice trade to be published in the forthcoming issues

"You don't build a business, you build people, then people build the business"

Thanks for sharing your valuable time Contact us For further information, फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन स्पाइस स्टेकहोल्डसस Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders, 504, APMC Building, Market Yard, Unjha 384170, North Gujarat Phone: 91 7575012424, +9833320999

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