

Particulars of recipients of concessions, permits or authorizations granted by it.

[in pursuance of section 4(1)(b)(xiii) of The Right to Information Act, 2005]

Plants and plant materials can be imported into the country only after the applicant importer is issued an Import Permit in accordance with the provisions contained in Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003. However, Joint Secretary in charge of Plant Protection Division of Department of Agriculture and Cooperation has been empowered on behalf of the Central Government to relax, in public interest, any of the conditions of the aforesaid Order relating to import of any consignment. This is, however, a continuing activity and the relaxations are given on case to case basis depending on merit.

2. In addition, the Designated National Authority under the Rotterdam Convention issues prior informed consent for allowing import of certain specified pesticides.

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