CIRCULAR No. IOPEPC/058 /2023-24 Date: 29th August 2023

Dear Members,

This is further to the meeting held on 25th August 2023 to discuss the status of Validation of heat treatment, which was recommended in the final audit report by DG (SANTE). As discussed, and decided in meeting, the registered Units which have submitted validation report for heat treatment to ensure effective elimination of Salmonella in sesame seeds consignments for export to EU would continue having access to Sesamum.net online portal for creation of sesame seeds export consignments to EU.

It has also been decided that the units which have not submitted the validation report for heat treatment, their access to the online port <u>sesamum.net</u> shall be temporarily withdrawn and they would not be able to create consignment for export of Sesame Seed to EU. However, after successfully completing the validation process and submitting the same to the Council those units can then create the new consignments of Sesame Seed for export to EU.

Units from which validation report for heat treatment on sesame seeds is pending are requested to expedite the same and submit it to IOPEPC.

Regards,

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