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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

Revision

1. Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
- **3.** Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Capsicum (*C. annuum, C. baccatum, C. chinense, C. frutescens, C. pubescens*) seeds for sowing (HS code: 12.09, ICS code: 65.020.20)

4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:

- [X] All trading partners
- [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: Draft Notification of Department of Agriculture Re: Conditions for Import of Capsicum Seeds B.E. (....). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 4

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/THA/24_03148_00_e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** The Department of Agriculture (DOA) is proposing to revise the DOA notification concerning the phytosanitary import requirements of Capsicum (*C. annuum, C. baccatum, C. chinense, C. frutescens, C. pubescens*) seeds for sowing from all countries as follows:
 - 1. The Notification of Department of Agriculture, Re: Conditions for import of Capsicum Seeds B.E. 2563 (2020), dated 30 November 2020, is repealed and replaced by this (Draft) DOA notification;
 - 2. Capsicum seed lots are required to fulfil one of the following phytosanitary import conditions, and/or a combination of the two conditions addressing each of five quarantine pests, i.e. *Clavibacter michiganensis*, *Tomato brown rugose fruit virus*, *Tomato mottle mosaic virus*, *Columnea latent viroid* and *Potato spindle tuber viroid*.

Capsicum seeds were produced in a country where the quarantine pests are not known to occur;

OR

Capsicum seeds were officially tested by Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) or Real time PCR method on a sample size not less than 3,000 seeds were taken from a sampling of lot, or in the case of a small seed lot, a sampling of lot as sample not less than 10 percent of weight and found free from the quarantine pests.

7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.

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8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:		
	[]	Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):	
	[]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):	
	[X]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 38: International movement of seeds	
	[]	None	
	Does t	this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?	
	[X] Ye	es []No	
		o, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from th national standard:	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:		
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.		
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11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/o (dd/mm/yy): 60 days after being notified under the Official Gazette.		
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