LINDANE (CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION) ORDER, 2005

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(Department of Agriculture and Cooperation)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 25th October, 2005

***S.O. 1532(E).-** Whereas the Registration Committee constituted under Section 5 of the Insecticides Act, 1968 (46 of 1968) had constituted an Expert Group to review the manufacture of Lindane in view of the ban on the manufacture, distribution, transportation and use of technical grade Benzene Hexachloride (BHC);

And whereas the Central Government, after considering the recommendations of the said Expert Group and after consultation with the Registration Committee constituted under Section 5 of the Insecticides Act, 1968 (46 of 1968) is satisfied that the use of Lindane is likely to involve risk to human beings and animals as to render it expedient or necessary to take immediate action;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section (2) of Section 27 read with Section 28 of the Insecticides Act, 1968 (46 of 1968) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government hereby proposes to make the following Order, namely:-

"DRAFT ORDER

- 1. (1) This Order may be called the **Lindane (Cancellation of Certificate of Registration)**Order, 2005.
 - (2) It shall come into force on the date of final publication of this order in the Official Gazette (to be notified).
- 2. The import, manufacture and all uses of Lindane (gamma B.H.C.) except for termite control in buildings, termite control in sugarcane in agriculture and for exports shall be prohibited from the date of final publication of this order in the Official Gazette.
- 3. (1) The certificates of registration granted for Lindane shall be withdrawn by the Registration Committee from all registrants including new registrants for incorporation of the requirement of the warning in bold letters "ONLY FOR USE IN TERMITE CONTROL IN BUILDINGS, TERMITE CONTROL IN SUGARCANE IN AGRICULTURE AND FOR EXPORTS" on labels and leaflets.
 - (2) In respect of those registrants who do not return the registration certificate, as per this order within a period of six months with effect from the date of publication of the final notification, their licenses granted under Section 13 of the said Act shall not be renewed or action under Section 14 of the said Act shall be taken in that respect.
- 4. The State Government shall be empowered to take all such steps in their respective jurisdiction as it may deem fit for carrying out this Order as per the Insecticides Act, 1968 and the rules framed thereunder."
- 5. The draft Order, which the Central Government proposes to make, is hereby published for information of all persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that the said draft Order shall be taken into consideration after the expiry of a period of forty-five days from the date on which the copies of the Gazette of India containing this Order are made available to the public.
- 6. Any person desirous of making any suggestion or objection in respect of the said draft Order may, forward the same for consideration of the Central Government within the period so specified to the Joint Secretary (Plant Protection), Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Agriculture and Cooperation), Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.

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