



**Mutual Recognition Agreement**

**between**

**The Department of Plant Protection, Ministry of National Food  
Security and Research, Government of the Islamic Republic of  
Pakistan**

**and**

**The Indonesian Agricultural Quarantine Agency, Ministry of  
Agriculture, Republic of Indonesia**

**on the Application of Plant Quarantine and Phytosanitary  
Measures.**

Mutual Recognition Agreement is entered into and between the Department of Plant Protection, Ministry of National Food Security and Research, Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) of Pakistan and the Agriculture Quarantine Agency, Ministry of Agriculture, Indonesia, the NPPO of Indonesia (hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Parties" and individually as "a Party").

The Parties have responsibility to prevent the introduction of quarantine pests into their territory of the Parties under framework of trade facilitation.

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**RECOGNIZING** the implementation of SPS measures particularly on plant quarantine and phytosanitary of the Parties shall be agreed in the cooperation.

**DESIRING** to further promote the implementation of cooperation Agreement of the Parties.

**WISHING** to further strengthen the capacity in the establishment of plant quarantine and phytosanitary measures of the Parties.

**HAVE** reached the following understanding:

#### **Article 1**

The Parties, subject to the terms of this Mutual Recognition Agreement will strengthen cooperation in the application of plant quarantine and phytosanitary measures on the basis of equality, mutual benefit and mutual respect.

#### **Article 2**

The scope of the Parties cooperation is to facilitate trade of plants and plant product in accordance with SPS Agreement, International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) and related national domestic laws.

#### **Article 3**

1. Either Party may amend the lists of quarantine pests, such amendment shall be communicated to the other Party and shall come into force not earlier than 60 days after the receipt of such notification.
2. The Phytosanitary Certificates issued under the respective laws of the countries of the Parties shall testify that the commodities are free from pests of quarantine concerned and infectious/contagious disease for the importing country. These Phytosanitary Certificates shall be issued in the English language and measures shall be adopted to communicate the electronic copy of the Certificates to the other Party.
3. The Parties shall designate the authorities for the purpose of the effective implementation of this Mutual Recognition Agreement.

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4. The designated authorities shall hold a meeting once a year on the date and place as mutually agreed between the Parties to review the implementation of this Mutual Recognition Agreement.
5. The Parties shall exchange the lists of names of quarantine officials, their place of posting and specimen signatures to check the issue of fake certification.
6. The Parties may include additional Phytosanitary conditions for import of identified products.

#### **Article 4**

In case of re-export of plant and plant material, the Phytosanitary Certificate for re-export is obligatory which shall be accompanied with the original Phytosanitary Certificate of the producing country.

#### **Article 5**

1. If the occurrence of quarantine pest or disease or any breach of the quarantine regulations of importer is detected at destination, the designated authorities may detain/confiscate or dispose of the consignment at the cost of the exporter, return, send it back or undertake other suitable measures about which the exporter shall be informed in writing.
2. The means of transport, transport equipment (containers), and packaging material used for export and import of fresh plant products shall be disinfected prior to its use, which shall be confirmed by authorized official from the exporting country in the Phytosanitary Certificate in the section "Additional Declaration".

#### **Article 6**

The Parties, in particular events, shall mutually provide professional, technical and other assistance in the matters concerning quarantine pests and plant protection to strengthen the Parties' capabilities for carrying out pre, at and post entry quarantine control in accordance with arrangements to be mutually agreed by the Parties.



### **Article 7**

The Parties may amend or modify this Mutual Recognition Agreement at any time through mutual consent in writing.

### **Article 8**


All disputes concerning the implementation and application of this Mutual Recognition Agreement shall be amicably resolved through mutual consent of the Parties.

### **Article 9**

1. This Mutual Recognition Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signatures and shall remain valid for 5 (five) years.
2. Either Party may terminate this Mutual Recognition Agreement at any time by giving a prior notice of six months to the other Party of its intention to terminate this Mutual Recognition Agreement.

In witness whereof this Mutual Recognition Agreement has been signed at Jakarta on 30 August 2013 by the duly authorized representatives of the Parties in two originals in the English and Indonesian languages. In case of any divergences in the interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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