TF(1) 7812/20

Directorate of Agricultural Development & Farmers Welfare, Vikas Bhavan, Thiruvanathapuram-33

Dt: 20/05/2020

From.

The Director of Agriculture

To,

Sri. Koshy Mathew, M/s Venad Manures & Fertilizers,, Door No: VII/602, Mulakuzha Grama Panchayath, Karakkad . PO, Alappuzha-689504

Sir,

Sub: - Manufacture, Distribution and sale of non satudard fertilizer mixture- Suspension of Certificate of Manufacture No: 6/Std. Mix / 04/ R/ 2019-20 dt 13/11/2019

Ref: - Note No TQ(2) 45003/19 dt 10/03/2020-

As per the reference cited it has been informed that the fertilizer sample 18:9(9):18 & 10:5(3):20 manufactured by your firm was found non standard on analysis at Fertilizer Quality Control Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram as per analytial reports No. FC 41/2019-20 dt 28/10/2019. On verification of the case history of the firm it is found that 5 samples of the firm has been reported non standard since 2016-17. The nutrientcontent of the sample 18:9(9);18 is very much below the FCO standards. The explanations furnished by you on the lapses are not all satisfactory and warrants strict action as per the provisions of Fertilizer Control Order, 1985

It is well aware that the quality of fertilizers are governed under the FCO provisions. Clause 19 of FCO strictly prohibits the sale/manufacture of fertilizer which are not of prescribed standards. No person shall sell any product as fertilizer unless it is specified under the FCO. State Governments have been adequately empowered to take actions

against persons who indulge in illegitimate activities, violating provisions of FCO, 1985, Fertilizer (Movement Control) Order, 1973 and Essential Commodities Act, 1955. Any violation of provisions of FCO invokes both administrative and penal penalties.

Under the above circimstance the Certificate of Manufacture No: 6/Std. Mix / 04/ R/ 2019-20 dt 13/11/2019 issued to M/s M/s Venad Manures & Fertilizers, Door No: VII/602, Mulakuzha Grama Panchayath, Karakkad . P.O, Alappuzha-689504 is suspended for a period of 2 months with effect from 20/05/2020 .

The suspension will be revoked only on assuring that the quality of fertilizer mixtures manufactured by your firm in future will confirm to the quality standards as specified in FCO, 1985. Further production of non standard fertilizer mixtures by your firm will lead to cancellation of your licence with immediate effect.

Additional Director of Agriculture (CP)

& State Registering Authority

Additional Director of Agriculture (CFA)

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