

AGC02-12027(31)/21/2018
Date: -7-2018.

O/o Commissioner & director of Agriculture
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Sub: Seed Regulation Cell – Seeds Act, 1966- Seed (Control) Order, 1983- Drawal of Cotton seed sample from the premises of M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool –produced by M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool - Lab Analytical report shows Positive to Herbicide tolerant (HT) – Show cause notice issued to M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool-Reg

Ref: 1. Roc No D2/Inspections/2017 dt 28.06.2018 of Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool.
2. RC No Nil/MAO/Knl/2017 dt 14.06.2018 of MAO, Kurnool
3. Analytical Report SD.ROC.No.24/17-18 dt : 08-05-2018 of ADA, DNA Fingerprinting & Transgenic Crops Monitoring Laboratory, Guntur.

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It is to inform that vide reference 1st cited while enclosing the reference 2nd the Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool has informed that MAO, Kurnool has inspected the premises of M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool on 11-04-2018 and conducted a preliminary HT Cotton Strip test on Bt Cotton Hybrid 4008 BG II bearing lot no. AT 71-003-80450-1 and found positive for Herbicide Tolerant trait i.e CP4EPSPS gene. Further the MAO, Kurnool has drawn the positive samples from the stock of Cotton Hybrid 4008 BG II with Lot No. AT 71-003-80450-1 for analysis purpose and send to DNA Fingerprinting & Transgenic Crops Monitoring Laboratory, Guntur under E.P. Act 1986, Rules 1989 and Seeds (control) Order, 1983.

The stock produced by M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool with lot no. AT 71-003-80450-were seized & recorded in Form IV duly acknowledged and conducted panchanama and obtained the safe custody orders from the Hon'ble Judicial First Class Magistrate, Kurnool and kept under the custody of MAO, Kurnool.

Vide reference 2nd cited it is reported that seed sample of M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool bearing lot AT 71-003-80450-1 contained CP4EPSPS gene with MON 88913 Herbicide Tolerant Trait (HT) which is not approved by GEAC (Genetic Engineering Approval Committee) for commercial release in India.

Further it is to inform that the producer M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool has contravened the provision of Section 6,7 of Seeds Act, 1966 read with section 21, 23 and Clause 3, 8A read with Clause 15 of Seeds (Control) Order, 1983.

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In this context, the producer firm M/s Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, Kurnool having CSL RRD/0/ADDL.DA/CSL/2014/126 is directed to Show Cause why their Centralized seed license should not be suspended/cancelled under clause 15 of Seed (control) Order 1983 for violating the provision of Section 6, 7 of Seeds Act, 1966 read with section 21, 23 and Clause 3, 8A read with Clause 15 of Seeds (Control) Order, 1983.

Further the firm is informed that the reply should reach this office within 5 days after receipt of this notice otherwise action will be initiated as per the above mentioned provisions of seed laws without further intimation.

Encl: 1. DNA Lab reports

Licensing Authority and
Additional Director of Agriculture (Seeds)
O/o Commissioner & Director of Agriculture,
AP, Guntur.

To

M/s. Ankur seeds Pvt Ltd, D.NO. 51-15-A-5 varma complex, bellary road, Kurnool.

Copy to the Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool with a request to serve the show cause notice to the said firm duly obtaining dated acknowledgement and furnish compliance immediately to the Licensing Authority.

Signature valid

Digitally signed by
JAGANNADHAM RAO
KUMAR

Date: 2018.07.11 20:18:34 IST
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