AGC02-12027(31)/27/2018 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, 1983Drawal of Cotton seed sample from the premises of M/s Haranath crop
Genetics Pvt.Ltd, Nandyal –Produced by M/s Kaveri seed company ltd
Secunderabad- Lab Analytical report shows Positive to Herbicide tolerant
(HT) – Show cause notice issued to M/s Kaveri seed company
Ltd, Secunderabad -Reg

Ref: 1. Roc No D2/Inspections/2017 dt 03-07-2018 of Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool.

2. RcNo.4/2017-18 /MAO/Ndl/Seed Samples,dt:01-05-2018 from MAO,Nandyal.

3. Analytical Report SD.ROC.No.12/17-18 dt 30.03.2018 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, Nandyal has inspected the premises of M/s Haranath Crop Genetics Pvt.Ltd, Nandyal on 01-03-2018 and conducted a preliminary HT Cotton Strip test on Bt Cotton Hybrid 234 bearing lot no.EK234N0021 found positive for Herbicide Tolerant trait i.e CP4 EPSPS gene. Further the MAO, Nandyal has drawn the positive samples from the stock of Hybrid 234 with Lot No.EK234N0021 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 pertains to M/s Kaveri seed company Ltd, Secunderabad with lot no. .EK234N0021 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, Nandyal.

Vide reference 3rd cited it is reported that seed sample produced by M/s Kavei seed company Ltd, Secunderabad bearing lot no.EK234N0021 contained CP4 EPSPS gene with MON 88913 Herbicide Tolerant Trait (HT) which is not approved by GEAC (Genetic Engineering Approval Committee) for commercial release in India.

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18/07/18