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Date: -12-2017

O/o Special Commissioner of Agriculture Andhra Pradesh, Guntur

SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Sub: Seed Regulation cell— E.P. Act, 1986 and Rules, 1989 and Seed (Control) Order, 1983 – Surprise Squad formed by the Government - Inspected the Cotton Seed Processing plants in Kurnool District – Detailed information submitted for further action-Show cause issued to M/s Sri Mahalakshmi Ginning and Processing. - Regarding.

Ref:1.G.O.Rt.No.630 and 636 dt. 17.10.2017 of Spl.Chief Secretary to Govt. Agri. & Coop (Agri.II), A.P.

2. No.dt.08.12.2017 to 10.12.2017 from O/o JDA, Kurnool

3.Rc.No.Nil/MAO/KNL/2017 dt.09.12.17 & 11.12.2017 of the MAO,kurnool

4. Roc.No.D2/Inspections/17 Dated: 15-12-2017 from JDA, Kurnool

5.OM No.13/39/2007-CS-II dated 17-04-2009 from Ministry of S &T ,DBT from GOI.

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It is to inform that vide reference 1st cited the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has constituted the committee to look into the illegalities and risks of such seed sales and cultivation and alert the Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee (GEAC) MOEF for the contraventions under the Environmental Protection Act, 1986 and Rules, 1989.

As per the instructions of Special Chief Secretary, Agri. & Coop. A.P. State HT Task Force committee namely Sri. S. Balakrishna, VC & MD, APSSDCL. Vijayawada, Sri.K.V.Ramaraju, Joint Director of Agriculture, Seeds, O/o. Spl.Commissioner of Agriculture, Guntur and Sri. P. Jaya Krishna, Incharge, A.D.A,DNA Finger Print Lab, Guntur along with the Officers deputed by the Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool have inspected the processing Plant of M/s. Sri Mahalakshmi Ginning and Processing, Plot No. 40,23B, Sy.No. 529, 529A, Industrial Estate, Kallur, Kurnool bearing Seed License No. KNL/07/JDA/SD/2015/5612.

Vide ref. 3rd cited dt. 9.12.2017 the Mandal Agricultural Officer, Kurnool has stated that at the time of inspection of M/s. Sri Mahalakshmi Ginning and Processing Plant and found some lint cotton seed stocks in the godown. After that under suspicious condition immediately conducted the HT through Lateral Flow Assay Strip Test by Incharge, ADA, DNA FP Lab, Guntur and identified the HT event/trait in the BT cotton seeds in the presence of Mr. K. Satyanarayana, Proprietor of the Firm. As the HT event/trait present in the cotton seed which was not approved by the GEAC. As per the instructions of the Investigating Committee, the MAO, Kurnool have drawn 11 nos. of

seed samples from the above said stocks each in 3 Nos. per each lot for analysis purpose and sent to A.D.A. DNA FP Lab, Guntur under E.P Act, 1986 and Rules , 1989 and Seed (Control) Order 1983.

Mr. K. Satayanarayana, Proprietor of M/s. Sri Mahalakshmi Processing has contravened the provisions of E.P. Act 1986, Section 6, 7, 21, 23 of Seed Act 1966 and Seed Control Order 1983. Hence 64 bags of lint cotton seed (each bag having 40 KGs (approximately) have been seized pertaining to M/s. Sri Mahalakshmi Processing, Kurnool and the same was recorded in Form -IV duly acknowledged and conducted Panchanama.

In this context, the firm M/s, M/s Sri Mahalakshmi Ginning and Processing is here by directed to show cause why their Seed License No. KNL/07/JDA/SD/2015/5612 should not be suspended / Cancelled under clause 15 of Seeds (Control) order 1983 for violating the provisions under Section 10, 11, Rule 7 and 11 of E.P Act and Rules 1986 and Rule 10 of 1989 read with section 15 of E.P Act, 1986 and Clause 3, 8A read with 15 of Seeds (Control) order 1983.

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

> Licensing Authority And 19. 12.17 Additional Director of Agriculture (Seeds) O/o Commissioner of Agriculture, AP, Guntur.

To

M/s. Sri Mahalakshmi Ginning and Processing, Plot No. 40,23B, Sy.No. 529, 529A, Industrial Estate, Kallur, 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.

19-12-2017.