

AGC02-12027(31)/14/2018
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 Babburi Agro
Industries , Nandyal –produced by M/s Neo seeds India Pvt. Ltd
Hyderabad- Lab Analytical report shows Positive to Herbicide tolerant
(HT) – Show cause notice issued to M/s Neo seeds India Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad
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Ref: 1. Roc No D2/Inspections/2017 dt 03-07-2018 of Joint Director of
Agriculture, Kurnool.
2. Analytical Report SD.ROC.No.22/17-18 dt 30.04.2018 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 Babburi Agro Industries, Nandyal on 09-03-2018 and conducted a
preliminary HT Cotton Strip test on Bt Cotton Hybrid 1651 bearing lot no.2007 DL
2050-1 & 2007 DL 2050-2 and found positive for Herbicide Tolerant trait i.e CP4EPS
gene. Further the MAO, Adoni has drawn the positive samples from the stock of Hybrid
1651 with Lot No. 2007 DL 2050-1 & 2007 DL 2050-2 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 Neo seeds India Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad with lot no. 2007
DL 2050-1 & 2007 DL 2050-2 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 2nd cited it is reported that seed sample produced by M/s Neo seeds
India Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad bearing lot no's 2007 DL 2050-1 & 2007 DL 2050-2 contained
CP4EPS 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 Neo seeds India Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad
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.

In this context, the producer firm M/s Neo seeds India pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad having CSL No.RRD/O/ADDL.DA/CSL/2014/506 is directed to Show Cause why their Centralized seed licenses 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 report.

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

To

M/s.Neo Seeds India Pvt.Ltd, D.NO.76-11-23, kollafaram road, Bhavanipuram
Vijayawada.

Copy to the Joint Director of Agriculture, Krishna 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.