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Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare  
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

37 C, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi,  
Dated the 08<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Constitution of Expert Committee to consider the objections / suggestions received in response of the Draft Notification No. S.O.1512 (E) dated 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 in respect of prohibition on 27 insecticides.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's draft Notification S.O.1512 (E) dated 14.5.2020, published on 18.5.2020, inviting objections / suggestions, within a period of 45 days, in respect of prohibiting import, manufacture, transport, distribution, sale and use of 27 insecticides, which are likely to involve risk to human being and animals. Thereafter, an addendum to the said notification was issued vide S.O. 1881(E) dated 10.6.2020, published on 13.6.2020, providing for additional time period of 45 days for submission of objections / suggestions.

2. In response to the above draft notification, 1644 number of objections and suggestions have been received from various stakeholders, on various aspects of the matter.

3. With a view to enable issue of final notification in respect of the aforesaid draft notification after considering the objections and suggestions received thereto, it has been decided with the approval of the Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare to constitute an Expert Committee, with the following composition:

(i)	Dr T P Rajendran , EX-ADG(PP), ICAR, New Delhi	Chairman
(ii)	Dr. Vandana Roy, Head Pharmacology (Toxicology) , Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi	Member
(iii)	Dr Satish K. Garg, Dean (Ex-HOD), Department of Pharmacology) , U.P. Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Pashu Chikitsa Vigyan Vishwa Vidyalaya Evam Go Anusandhan Sansthan, DUVASU, Mathura	Member



(iv)	Dr Rashmi Agarwal, Head, Plant Pathology, IARI-ICAR, New Delhi	Member
(v)	Dr. Balraj S. Parmar, Agricultural Chemicals (Retired), IARI-ICAR, New Delhi	Member
(vi)	Dr. O.P Varma, Joint Director, IPM Division, DPPQS	Member Secretary

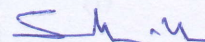
4. The following will be the terms of reference of the Expert Committee:

- a. To evaluate the objections / suggestions received in response to the Draft Gazette Notification No. S.O.1512 (E) dated 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 regarding banning of 27 insecticides, considering all aspects related to safety, toxicity, efficacy, updated status of submission of required study and data, technical & scientific requirements, availability of safer substitutes, farmers' interests, ban status in other countries, etc., and matters connected therewith and incidental thereto;
- b. To make recommendations for further course of action for issue of final notification in this regard; and
- c. To make any other recommendations in view of the objections / suggestions.

5. Committee will submit its report to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation within three months.

6. All administrative and secretarial support to the committee will be provided by the Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine and Storage (DPPQ&S), Faridabad, Haryana.

7. The members of the committee shall be eligible to claim admissible TA/DA and other allowances for attending the meetings and work of the committee as per Government of India rules and instructions. The expenditure in this regard will be met from the budget provision of DPPQ&S, Faridabad, Haryana.



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1. PS to Hon'ble AM/PS to MoS(PR)/PS to MoS(KC)
2. PPS to Secretary
3. PPS to JS(PP)
4. All Members of the Expert Committee
5. Plant Protection Advisor, DPPQ&S – to ensure availability of all relevant documents to the Committee.
6. Secretary, CIB&RC, Faridabad