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दिनांक / Dated the 23rd October, 2026.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Clarification on certain clauses of the Veterinary Health Certificate for Import of Bovine Serum into India – regarding.

Please refer to addendum notification G/SPS/N/IND/333/Add.2, dated 22 April 2026 notifying the "Veterinary Health Certificate for Import of Bovine Serum into India" to WTO SPS Committee.

2. In order to facilitate ease of doing business and ensure a clear understanding of the prescribed requirements for their effective implementation, clarification on certain statements of the Veterinary Health Certificate for the Import of Bovine Serum into India is enclosed herewith.

3. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Encl: As above.

23/10/26

(डॉ अनिरुद्ध उदयकार)
(Dr. Aniruddha Udaykar)
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Deputy Commissioner (Trade)

To:

- All the stakeholders.

Copy for information to;

1. Sr. PPS to the Secretary, DAHD
2. PPS to AS (VJ), DAHD.

Clarification on statements in the Indian Veterinary Health Certificate for Import of Bovine Serum into India

Statement in Veterinary Health Certificate for Import of Bovine serum into India	Clarification
General Information No.: I.14 Seal No.	The "Seal No." refers to the seal number made by the customs authority of exporting country on the container in which the final product is dispatched.
Sanitary Information Statement No. II.(ii) The country of country of origin of raw material and final product is free from Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus and Foot and Mouth Disease Virus as per WOAH listing; Or In case the import is from the Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus and Foot and Mouth Disease Virus positive country, the consignment should be accompanied with a certificate of quality analysis and tested negative for Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus and Foot and Mouth Disease Virus.	In cases where the exporting country is not officially recognised as free from Bovine Viral Diarrhoea Virus (BVDV) or Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD), the consignment shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Quality Analysis confirming that the consignment has tested negative for BVDV/FMD/both antigen(s) for which country freedom has not been established.
Sanitary Information Statement No. II.(iv) The source animals originate from an approved establishment and the documented animal traceability system is in place.	The term "approved establishment" refers to the farm or holding operating under the oversight of the Veterinary Authority of the exporting country.
Sanitary Information Statement No. II.(vi) The product has been collected by the expert and trained team approved by the competent authority of country of origin as per standard and approved procedures as approved by the official authority of country of origin as per international guidelines related to Laboratory bio-safety and bio-security.	The international guidelines related to Laboratory bio-safety and bio-security, refers to the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH) guidelines.
Sanitary Information Statement No. II.(viii) Guidelines for International transfer (IATA guidelines) or other Internationally approved guidelines including packaging (Triple layered) shall be followed as per the category and nature of the product and spillage and leakage must be strictly avoided.	Guidelines for International transfer (IATA guidelines) or other Internationally approved guidelines including packaging (Triple layered)

	One of the above method shall be followed irrespective of mode of transport as per the category and nature of the product and spillage and leakage must be strictly avoided.
Sanitary Information Statement No. II.(x) Serum should be sterile; Or Serum should be tested Negative for diseases namely Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD), Blue Tongue, Reoviruses, Adenoviruses (as relevant), Enzootic Bovine Leukosis (EBL), Rift Valley Fever (RVF).	The serum should be tested negative for the presence of antigen of stated diseases. The term "as relevant" refers to notifiable stains of the virus (Reoviruses and Adenoviruses) in the exporting country.