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Government of India

Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department of Agriculture & Cooperation and Farmers Welfare (Plant Protection Division)

39B, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, Dated, the 25th April, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Interim approval for application of already approved pesticide formulations through drones-reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the letter No. 01-/2024-CIR-I (e-139937) dated 20.02.2024 received from CIB&RC seeking extension of interim approval by one year on use of already approved pesticides formulations through drones.

2. In this context, approval of Competent Authority is conveyed for extension of interim approval of the drone-based application of registered pesticide formulations comprising of insecticides, fungicides and plant growth regulators (PGRs) (including bio-pesticides and botanical pesticides) which otherwise are permitted to be sprayed manually by knapsack Sprayers in the areas along the lines of specifications mentioned in the SOP, for a period of one year, i.e. up to 18th April 2025. Further, the other contents of earlier O.M. of even number dated 18.04.2022 (copy attached) shall remain unchanged.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Encl: As above.

(Anand Kumar Prabhakar) Additional Commissioner (PP)

To,

- 1. Plant Protection Advisor (PPA), DPPQS
- 2. APPA/Secretary (CIBRC), DPPQS
- 3. In-charge IPM Division, DPPQ&S

Copy to:

- 1. PS to Hon'ble AM
- 2. PS to Hon'ble MoS
- 3. PS to Secretary, DA&FW
- 4. PS to AS (PP)
- 5. PS to JS (PP)
- 6. PS to JS(M&T)