

## **ISSUE OF CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY FOR EUROPEAN UNION**

- 1 EIC/EIAs have been designated by the Government of India for issuing Certificate of Authenticity for the consignments of basmati rice shipped from India to the countries of EU as per EC regulations for allowing the benefit of reduced import duty as per **Annexure I**.
- 2 The following parameters have to be certified by EIAs for issuing certificates of authenticity:
  - i) Region of cultivation
  - ii) FOB value
  - iii) Description of goods i.e. grade of Basmati Rice;
  - iv) Rice meant for export is Basmati Rice;
  - v) Quantity/packing
- 3 The following procedure is adopted for issue of certificates:
  - i) Submission of the documents like invoice, affidavit, certificate of inspection issued by the exporter etc in respect of the consignment for which certificate of authenticity is required by the exporter. The EIA will verify that the consignment(s) are inspected/tested to ensure that they are basmati rice as per the provisions of the notification.

- ii) The exporters will inform 'Region and place of cultivation' so as to confirm the origin of Basmati Rice through an affidavit.
- iii) EIAs will attest the Certificate of Authenticity based on the verification/inspection and testing carried out by them. These certificates are stamped with EIC seal and signed by authorized signatories of EIAs.
- iv) The details on the certificates include the certificate no. date of its issue, name of the buyer, consignee, value, quantity, gross weight and net weight etc.
- v) After attesting the Certificate, first and second copies are given to the exporters for getting them attested by the Customs at the time of shipment and for sending these copies to their overseas buyer. The third copy is sent to Brussels, the EC HQs, on monthly basis, and the fourth copy is retained with EIAs for records.
- vi) As per the EC requirement, the validity of Certificates of Authenticity is 90 days.
- vii) In case the exporter so desires, the certificate of authenticity may be issued from EIA head office rather than the concerned sub office for saving time and better service to the exporter subject to fulfilling all other requirements.
- viii) In case the date of validity of certificate of authenticity is over and there is request from the processor/ exporter for revalidation, sampling and testing of consignment(s) of basmati rice in the importing country and issue fresh certificate of authenticity, is being considered on merit. The issue of certificate of authenticity will be based on the test results. However, the exporter has to bear the cost of visit of EIA officials for drawal of samples and test.

1. Exporter (Name and full address)	<b>CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY B BASMATI RICE</b>	
2. Consignee (Name and full address)	For ex <b>No 9566 DUPLICATE</b> Issued by (Name and full address of issuing body)	
	3. Region or place of cultivation	
	4. FOB value in US dollars	
	5. Number and date of invoice	
6. Marks and numbers- Number and kind of packages – Description of goods	7. Gross weight (kg.)	
	8. Net weight (kg)	
<p>9. DELARATION BY EXPORTER</p> <p>The undersigned declares that the information shown is correct/</p> <p>Place and date: _____ Signature _____</p>		
<p>10. CERTIFICATION BY THE ISSUING BODY</p> <p>It is hereby certified that the rice described above is BASMATI RICE and that the information shown in this certificate is correct.</p> <p>Place and date: _____ Signature: _____ Stamp: _____</p>		
<p>11. CERTIFICATION BY COMPETENT CUSTOMS OFFICE OF COUNTRY OF EXPORT</p> <p>Customs formalities for export to the European Economic Community of the rice described above have been completed.</p> <p>Type, number and date of export document: _____ Name and country of Custom office: _____</p> <p>Signature : _____ Stamp: _____</p>		
12. FOR COMPLETENT AUTHORITIES IN THE COMMUNITY		