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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

It has been brought to the notice of this office that some of the State Agricultural Department authorities are insisting on the seed companies to obtain seed dealer license, SAUs trials, sales permission / State Registration for selling storage, export and import of seeds in their States irrespective of whether they are selling the seeds directly through their sales outlet or selling the seeds through dealers / distributors having valid seed dealer license (Form-B) issued by the concerned State authorities.

In this context, it is clarified that as per the Seeds (Control) Order, 1983 for carrying out the seed business in the State, seed dealer has to take compulsory license from the State Licensing Authority. However, no separate seed dealer license is required, if the company does not have their storage point or sale outlet in the particular State and they are selling the seeds through the dealers / distributor having the valid license issued by the State Government. Similarly, under Clause 13(1)(a) of the Seed (Control) Order with a view to secure compliance of this order, the dealer may be asked to give any information in his possession with respect to purchase, storage and sale of seeds by him to the State Government. Moreover, in the Seeds (Control) Order, 1983 there is no specific mention about SAUs trial in the State and registration of varieties being a prerequisite for marketing of seeds in a State.



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