

AGC02-12027(31)/22/2018  
Date: -7-2018.

O/o Commissioner & Director of Agriculture  
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

**SHOW CAUSE NOTICE**

**Sub:** Seed Regulation Cell – Seeds Act, 1966- Seed (Control) Order, 1983-  
Drawal of Cotton seed sample from the premises of M/s New Venkateswara  
seeds Nandyal –produced by M/s Paturi Agri Biotech Pvt.Ltd,  
Hyderabad- Lab Analytical report shows Positive to Herbicide tolerant  
(HT) – Show cause notice issued to M/s Paturi Agri Biotech Pvt.Ltd  
Hyderabad -Reg

- Ref:** 1. Roc No D2/Inspections/2017 dt 03-07-2018 of Joint Director of  
Agriculture, Kurnool.  
2. Rc.No.4/2017-18 /MAO/Ndl/Seed samples, dt: 02-05-2018 from  
MAO,Nandyal.  
3. Analytical Report SD.ROC.No.14/17-18 Lab code SD-113-119 dt  
30.04.2018 of ADA, DNA Fingerprinting & Transgenic Crops Monitoring  
Laboratory, Guntur.

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It is to inform that vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited while enclosing the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> the  
Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool has informed that MAO, Nandyal has inspected  
the premises of M/s New Venkateswara seeds, Nandyal on 29-03-2018 and conducted a  
preliminary HT Cotton Strip test on Bt Cotton Hybrid 303 bearing lot no.s 22007,  
22022,22014,22006, 22024, 22005 & 22003 and found positive for Herbicide Tolerant  
trait i.e CP4EPSPS gene. Further the MAO, Nandyal has drawn the positive samples  
from the stock of Hybrid 303 with Lot No. 22007, 22022,22014,22006, 22024, 22005 &  
22003 for analysis purpose and send to DNA Fingerprinting & Transgenic Crops  
Monitoring Laboratory, Guntur under E.P. Act 1986, Rules 1989 and Seeds (control)  
Order, 1983.

The stock pertains to M/s Paturi Agri Biotech Pvt.Ltd, Hyderabad with lot no. .  
22007, 22022,22014,22006, 22024, 22005 & 22003 were seized & recorded in Form IV  
duly acknowledged and conducted panchanama and obtained the safe custody orders  
from the Hon'ble Judicial First Class Magistrate, Kurnool and kept under the custody of  
MAO, Nandyal.

Vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited it is reported that seed sample produced by M/s Paturi Agri  
Biotech Pvt.Ltd, Hyderabad bearing lot no's. 22007, 22022,22014,22006, 22024, 22005  
& 22003 contained CP4EPSPS gene with MON 88913 Herbicide Tolerant Trait (HT)  
which is not approved by GEAC (Genetic Engineering Approval Committee) for  
commercial release in India.

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Further it is to inform that the producer M/s Paturu Agri Biotech Pvt.Ltd, Hyderabad has contravened the provision of Section 6,7 of Seeds Act, 1966 read with section 21, 23 and Clause 3, 8A read with Clause 15 of Seeds (Control) Order, 1983.

In this context, the producer firm M/s Paturu Agri Biotech Pvt.Ltd, Hyderabad having CSL No. RRD/0/ADDLDA/CSL/2014/151 is directed to Show Cause why their Centralized seed licenses should not be suspended/cancelled under clause 15 of Seed (control) Order 1983 for violating the provision of Section 6, 7 of Seeds Act, 1966 read with section 21, 23 and Clause 3, 8A read with Clause 15 of Seeds (Control) Order, 1983.

Further the firm is informed that the reply should reach this office within 5 days after receipt of this notice otherwise action will be initiated as per the above mentioned provisions of seed laws without further intimation.

Encl: 1. DNA Lab reports

Licensing Authority and  
Additional Director of Agriculture (Seeds)  
O/o Commissioner & Director of Agriculture,  
AP, Guntur.

To

M/s. Paturu Agri Biotech Pvt.Ltd, C/o Hari Hara Agro Agencies, D.No.30/559,  
Vivekananda Colony, RS Road, Nandyal, Kurnool.

Copy to the Joint Director of Agriculture, Kurnool with a request to serve the show cause notice to the said firm duly obtaining dated acknowledgement and furnish compliance immediately to the Licensing Authority.

Signature valid

Digitally signed by  
JAGANNADHAM F 10/1  
KUMAR  
Date: 2018.07.11 20:38:02 IST  
Reason: Approved

