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Sub: - Lockdown period not to be included while computing novelty for new varieties under Section 15(3)(a) of PPV&FR Act, 2001- Extension of time limit for registration of extant varieties - Supersession of earlier Public Notice No.5 of 2020-Reg.

Due to worldwide and nationwide lockdown to contain COVID-19, numerous difficulties have been expressed in computation of period of novelty in the case of new varieties and also to extend the time for filing of registration of extant varieties. With a view to resolve this, a self-contained public notice is issued in case of both within India and outside India.

a) WITHIN INDIA -NOVELTY

In cases of submission of application for registration of new variety in India where the period of novelty terminates during the period of lockdown (beginning from 25.03.2020) then the period of novelty in respect of such varieties will be computed till 15 days after the lifting of lockdown.

b) OUTSIDE INDIA-NOVELTY

In cases of varieties from outside India, where period of novelty terminates during the period of lockdown in India or outside India, then in such case the novelty would be computed 45 days from the lifting of lockdown, within India or outside India, whichever is later.

In case of varieties from outside India time taken for regulation/SPS/Quarantine during the period of lockdown would also be accommodated on case to case basis by the Registrar based on the documentary evidence.

In cases of varieties from outside India, the restriction within India or outside India, if any, relating to cargo movement or opening, then such cases also would be accommodated on case to case basis by the Registrar based on the documentary evidence but not exceeding 45 days to the latest material transport allowed date in the logistics/ regulations, whichever is later.

c) EXTANT VARIETIES-TIME LIMIT FOR REGISTRATION-WITHIN INDIA:-

In case of extant varieties within India if the time limit for filing the same falls during the period of lockdown (beginning from 25.03.2020), then the time limit for filing the same will be extended till 15 days after the lifting of lockdown.

d) EXTANT VARIETIES-TIME LIMIT FOR REGISTRATION-OUTSIDE INDIA:-

In cases of extant varieties from outside India, if the time limit for filing the same falls during the period of lockdown in India or outside India then in such case then in such case the time-limit would be extended 45 days from the lifting of lockdown, within India or outside India, whichever is later.

In case of varieties from outside India time taken for regulation/SPS/Quarantine during the period of lockdown would also be accommodated on case to case basis by the Registrar based on the documentary evidence.

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This public notice is issued in supersession of the earlier public notices in this regard.

(Ravi Prakash)
Registrar