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(संसद के अधिनियम द्वारा निर्मित सांविधिक निकाय)
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**Sub: Section 19 of PPV&FR Act, 2001 read with Rules 29 (10) of PPV&FR Rules, 2003 -
Submission of seeds for varieties seeking plant variety protection**

As per the provisions of the Act and DUS test guidelines, since seed is an integral part of the application being submitted for registration for protection of a variety, every applicant is required to submit seed of the candidate variety and hybrid (along with all the parents involved in the production of the hybrid as well as maintenance of male sterile parent) along with the application, as described below:


I. Category of Variety

No.	Category	Quantity (Packets)
i	New Variety (Typical or OP)	entire quantity of the seeds as per crop specific DUS test guidelines equally divided into ten packets
ii	Extant Variety Notified under Seeds Act, 1966 (Typical or OP)	one fifth quantity of the seeds as per crop specific DUS test guidelines equally divided into two packets
iii	Extant Variety of Common Knowledge (Typical or OP)	half of the the seeds as per crop specific DUS test guidelines equally divided into five packets
iv	Extant Variety as Farmer's Variety	half of the the seeds as per crop specific DUS test guidelines equally divided into five packets
v	Hybrid in the case of rows (i) to (iii)	a. Hybrid: Entire quantity of seed of the Hybrid as per crop specific DUS test guidelines, equally divided into ten packets b. Parent lines: Half the quantity of seed of each line (including maintainer line(s), if any) as per crop specific DUS guidelines, equally divided into five packets

II. Other requirements and terms

1. Properly dried seeds are to be submitted in tri-layered (12 µm outermost layer of polyester; 12 µm middle layer of aluminium foil and 250 gauge thick inner layer of polyester making the pouch leak-proof), laminated, hermetically sealed, duly numbered seed packets/pouches.
2. Each packet shall have the denomination^y related information either on well-stuck printed stickers that can be easily pulled off without leaving any remnants stuck or legibly written using standard water-resistant permanent marker erasable by acetone/alcohol, depicting name of the applicant, crop species, Denomination of the variety, Type (e.g. New/Extant/Farmers) and Classification (Typical/Hybrid/Inbred/parental lines/Transgenic/others) of the variety, quantity of the seeds(in gm) in the packet, seed quality details(% of Physical purity, Germination and Moisture content as per the crop specific DUS test guideline), seed lot number of the applicant and date of harvest.
3. The seed test report shall not be more than 30 days old at the time of seed submission.
4. Applicant(s) shall use seed packets of sizes as per the following:
 - a) Large size seeds(e.g., Rice, Wheat, Maize, Ground nut, Cotton etc): 20-22 cm x 15-17 cm(LxB)
 - b) Medium size seeds(e.g., Sorghum, Okra, Coriander etc): 18-20 cm x 10-12 cm(LxB)
 - c) Small sized seeds (e.g., Mustard, Chilli, Brinjal etc): 12-14 cm x 8-10 cm(LxB).
5. Applications along with the seed lot shall be rejected in case any extraneous material, label, labels with denomination/variatal name/mark, applicant details or any identification related to the specific variety etc are found inside the seed packets.
6. If any seed material(s) is found physically damaged, contaminated, pest/disease infected and/or treated/coated with chemical, the seed material(s) and application shall deemed to be considered as rejected. Such packets shall be sealed in the presence of a witness and applicant will be duly informed by PPV&FRA. The same can be inspected on record in the presence of authorised personnel of the Authority by the applicant/agent of the applicant by visiting the site following visit related procedures.
7. Applications not meeting the above requirements including seed quality standards shall be considered incomplete and invalid, resulting in terminating the registration process.

The above requirements are applicable for crop species having orthodox/true seeds only and have no bearing on any other seed or seed material submission related notifications issued so far.


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Registrar