## Objectives and Activities of PQS, Indore

## Main objectives of Plant Quarantine Facilities at PQS, INDORE

- ✓ Inspection of imported plant and plant materials for preventing the introduction of exotic pests and diseases inimical to Indian Fauna and Flora
- ✓ Inspection of plants and plant materials meant for export.
- ✓ Plant quarantine measures aim at providing protection to the agriculture of a country or region against the likely ravages of alien pests/pathogens should they get introduced and established. These measures are of particular importance and relevance to countries like India whose economy is largely based on agriculture.
- ✓ To prevent the introduction and spread of exotic pests that are destructive to crops by regulating/restricting the import of plants/plant products
- ✓ To facilitate safe global trade in agriculture by assisting the producers and exporters by providing a technically competent and reliable phytosanitary certificate system to meet the requirements of trading partners.

## **Activities of the station**

- ✓ Inspection of agricultural commodities meant for export as per the requirements of importing countries under International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)
- ✓ Inspection of imported agricultural commodities for preventing the introduction of exotic pests and diseases
- ✓ Detection of exotic pests and diseases already introduced for containing/ controlling them by adopting domestic quarantine regulations
- ✓ Training of the fumigation operators for ensuring effectiveness of Phytosanitary Treatment
- ✓ To undertake quarantine inspection and laboratory testing of plants and plant materials to ensure freedom from exotic pests.
- ✓ To make liasoning with Customs officials and others in connection with export and import of agricultural commodities.
- ✓ To facilitate safe global trade in agriculture by assisting the producers and exporters by providing a technically competent and reliable Phytosanitary certificate.
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