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Dear *Shri Khullar,*

Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour & Welfare (MHLW) has completed the evaluation of India's standards for export of poultry meat & its products and has conveyed their approval that they meet Japanese standard. They will accept hygiene certificate issued by Government of India in this regard from Oct. 13, 05. Earlier, Japan's Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries (MAFF) had conveyed health requirements for poultry meat & its products to be exported to Japan from India vide their letter dated 15.2.05.

2. Japan's MHLW has approved India as a poultry meat supplier country without inspecting our plants. However, they have stated in their approval letter that if standards are not properly implemented, they will stop accepting our hygiene certificate. The communication received from MHLW in Japanese along with its English translation is enclosed.

3. You may now like to take necessary action for commencement of poultry exports from India to Japan.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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