

ORDER

New Delhi, the 28th August, 2002

S.O. 2876— Whereas, for the development of the export trade of India, certain proposals for subjecting dried fish maws to quality control and Inspection prior to export were published as required by Sub-rule (2) of Rule 11 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Rules, 1964 in the Gazette of India of Part-II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) dated the 5th January, 2002 vide S.O. 12 dated the 24th December, 2001 of the Government of India in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Commerce.

And, whereas the objections and suggestions were invited from all persons likely to be affected thereby, within the period of thirty days from the date of publication of the said order in the official Gazette;

And, whereas the objections and suggestions received the public on the said proposed were considered by the Government.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred Section 6 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspections) 1963 (22 of 1963), the Central Government after consultant is necessary and expedient to do so, for the development the export trade of India, hereby—

(1) notifies that Dried Fish maws shall be subjected quality control and inspection prior to export

(2) specifies the type of inspection in according the Export of Dried Fish Maws (Quality Control and Inspection) Rules, 2002 as the type of inspection which shall be applicable to such dried fish maws prior to export;

(3) recognizes the specifications as set out in the schedule appended to this order as the standard specifications for such dried fish maws;

(4) Prohibits the exports in the course of international trade of such dried fish maws unless the same is accompanied by a certificate issued by any of the Export Inspection Agencies established at Mumbai, Kolkata, Kochi, Delhi and Chennai for

the purpose under Section 7 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Act, 1963 (22 of 1963) of the effect that dried fish maws is export worthy.

2. Nothing in this order shall apply to the export by land or sea or air of samples of dried fish maws to prospective buyers, the value of which does not exceed permissible limits as laid down in the Exim. Policy from time to time and where no such provisions exist each sample does not weigh more than 2 kilograms.

3. For the purpose of this order, "dried fish maws" means the dried air bladder of the following species of fishes, namely:—

(i) Eel/Vilanku/Vam (*Muraemesox talaboides*).

(ii) Jew, fish/Kathalai/Ghol (*Pseudosciaena* sp.)

(iii) Thread fish/ Kala/Dara (*Polynemus, Polydactilus* sp.)

(iv) Giant crocker/Panna/Kote (*Otolithoides brunneus*).

(v) Cat Fish/Kelru/Petara/Singaia (*Areus* sp., *Tachysurus* sp.)

(vi) Bekti/Giarto perch/Waigen Sea perch (*Late* sp., *Pasmoperea* sp.)

(vii) Lizard Fish (*saurida* sp.)

SCHEDULE

Specifications for dried fish recognized as per clause C of Section 6 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspection), Act 1963 shall be:-

1. The minimum Specifications notified in this order as per annexure to this schedule;

2. National Standards of the Importing Countries, in case they are more stringent.

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ANNEXURE

SPECIFICATIONS FOR DRIED FISH MAWS

General Characteristics: Dried Fish Maws shall be in split, chunk or any other form as required by the foreign buyer. Eel Fish Maws shall be with/without air as declared by the exporter. The material shall be well dried, not sticking to each other and free from any visible contamination. The material shall have be characteristics odour and shall be free from any bad odour.

Quality grades based on colour For all types of Fish Maws		Types and size grades* (Count) per kilogram						
		Eel/ Vilanku/ Vam	Jew Fish/ Kathalai / Ghol	Thread Fish/ Kela/ Dara	Giant Croaker/ Panna/ Kote	Cat Fish/kelru /Petera/ Singala	Bekti/Gaint perch/Waigeu Seaperch	Lizard Fish
A. Grade	Clear to slightly blood Stained	15 & below 16-30	15 & above	15 & below	7 & below 8-15	40 & below 41-100	12 & below	15& below
B. Grade	Moderately blood stained	31-45 45 & above	16-25	16-25	16 & above	101 & above	13 & above	16 & above
C. Grade	Extensively blood stained	Broken	26 & above broken	26 & above broken	Broken	Broken	Broken	Broken

A tolerance of 5% for next higher or lower size grades or both shall be permitted in all grade of Dried Fish Maws.

Definitions: The types given above are of the following species:

- (i) Eel/ Vilanku/ Vam (*Muraemesox talabodies*).
 - (ii) Jew Fish/ Kathalai/ Ghol (*Pseudosciacna sp.*)
 - (iii) Thread Fish/ Kela/ Dara (*Polynemus, Polydactilus sp.*)
 - (iv) Giant Croaker/Panna/ Kote (*Otolothoides brunneus*)
 - (v) Cat Fish/kelru/Petera/ Singala (*Areus sp., Tachysurus sp.*)
 - (vi) Bektu/Gaint perch/Waigeu Seaperch (*Lates sp., Pasmoperca sp.*)
 - (vii) Lizard Fish (*Saurida sp.*)
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*Any other size grade other than the notified size, grade shall be permitted as agreed to between the buyer and the seller.