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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2003/27

MANGOES FROM INDIA

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) provides stakeholders with information on an import proposal currently being considered by Biosecurity Australia. The proposal relates to the importation of mangoes from India.

The purpose of this PBPM is to inform you that Biosecurity Australia has received a request from India to resume trade in the importation of mangoes from India to Australia.

India exported mangoes to Australia until 1996, using mandatory on-shore ethylene dibromide (EDB) treatment for control of fruit flies. Access for mangoes from India ceased as a result of the withdrawal of EDB as a post-harvest disinfestation treatment in Australia. Biosecurity Australia's consideration of the resumption of trade will focus on equivalent treatment measures, as well as any other potential quarantine issues associated with Indian mangoes.

Biosecurity Australia is considering this access request as an extension of existing policy and has received technical information from India on pests and mitigation measures.

A revised import policy review document for mangoes from India will be prepared and distributed to stakeholders for comment.

If you wish to suggest inclusion of an additional stakeholder in our distribution list, or if you wish to be removed from the distribution list, please provide details to Technical and Administrative Services.

Information on all IRAs and policy reviews being conducted by Plant Biosecurity is available on the web at <http://www.affa.gov.au/plantbiosecurity>.

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