NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** JAPAN**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Host plants of *Bactrocera dorsalis* species complex and host plants of *Erwinia amylovora* |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ] All trading partners** **[X] Specific regions or countries:** Guyana; Pakistan; Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Emergency measures to mitigate the risk of introducing *Bactrocera dorsalis* species complex and *Erwinia amylovora*. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 4<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/JPN/25_01919_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** To prevent the introduction of *Bactrocera dorsalis* species complex and *Erwinia amylovora* into Japan, MAFF has taken emergency measures to prohibit the import of host plants of *Bactrocera dorsalis* species complex originated in Guyana and host plants of *Erwinia amylovora* originated in Pakistan and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.Details of the emergency measures are provided in the document attached. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [X] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.**  |
| **8.** | **Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** MAFF has stipulated *Bactrocera dorsalis* species complex and *Erwinia amylovora* as important quarantine pests and prohibited the import of host plants from specific countries where they are present. To prevent the introduction of the pests into Japan, MAFF has decided to ban import of the host plants of *Bactrocera dorsalis* species complex originated in Guyana and host plants of *Erwinia amylovora* originated in Pakistan and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. This is an emergency action before the enforcement of the revision of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act based on the newly confirmed information on the outbreak and spread of the pests. |
| **9.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:** **[ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** IPPC Article 7, ISPM No. 1 and ISPM No. 20**[ ] None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?****[X] Yes [ ] No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**  |
| **10.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** List of the Import Prohibited Plants (Annexed Table 2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act), MAF Ordinance No. 73/1950 (online), available from <https://www.maff.go.jp/pps/j/law/houki/shorei/E_Annexed_Table2.html>Details of other relevant documents are provided in the document attached. |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 6 March 2025**[ ] Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Standards Information ServiceInternational Trade DivisionEconomic Affairs BureauMinistry of Foreign Affairs2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-kuTokyo 100-8919, JapanTel: +(81 3) 5501 8344Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Standards Information ServiceInternational Trade DivisionEconomic Affairs BureauMinistry of Foreign Affairs2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-kuTokyo 100-8919, JapanTel: +(81 3) 5501 8344Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp |