# REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF SHEEP AND GOAT FROM MYANMAR INTO MALAYSIA FOR BREEDING PURPOSE

I. Country of Export : Myanmar II. Purpose : Breeding

#### 1.0 Import Permit

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a valid import permit issued by Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services Department (MAQIS) concerned permitting the importation of such animals into Malaysia.

## 2.0 Veterinary Certification

The consignment of animals shall be accompanied by a veterinary health certificate written in English issued within 7 days of export by a competent Veterinary Officer of the Livestock Breeding & Veterinary Department (LBVD) Myanmar giving detailed description of the consignment (age, breed, sex, number of head, animal ID) address of the premises of origin of the animals certifying to the effect that:

- 2.1 Myanmar or the part of country or province where animal were derived are free from Maedi Visna, Sheep pox and goat pox, Peste de petit, Ovine epididymitis (B. Ovis) and for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export. Scrapie and Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy have never been reported in Myanmar.
- 2.2 The animal originated and kept or born in Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) free province for the past 6 months prior to and till the date of export. No case of FMD has occurred within 10 km radius of the establishment of origin for at least 3 months prior to movement.
- 2.3 The animals have been kept and observed at LBVD, Myanmar and DVS, Malaysia approved quarantine station for 10 days prior to export. All animals were examined and found to be healthy and clinically free from Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and vaccinated with trivalent (O, A, Asia 1) vaccine against FMD approved by DVS, Malaysia on the first day the animal arrived at the approved quarantine station.
- 2.4 The animals have been tested and found to be serologically negative for NSP ELISA test against FMD. All testing must be done in government laboratory or accredited laboratory.
- 2.5 The animals have been free from Tuberculosis and were derived from farm which certified to free from Tuberculosis and to be tested negative using tuberculin test.
- 2.6 The animal were derived from farm which certified to be free from Brucella ovis and Brucella melitensis and has been tested negative for Brucella ovis and Brucella melitensis with CFT or ELISA test not more than one (1) month prior to export. All animals have been vaccinated with RB51 prior to export except for pregnant animal.
- 2.7 The animals were not suffering or had not suffered and were derived from herd and farm which regularly monitored by and have been clinically free from Johne's disease for 5 years till the date of export and the animal has been tested negative using CFT or AGID test with negative results within (1) month prior to export.

- 2.8 The animal were derived from zone or farm where free from Trichomonosis and Camphylobacter fetus subspecies fetus, Camphylobacter jejuni, Enzootic Abortion of Ewes, and Meliodosis. and for the last 6 months prior to export following to be tested negative with following test
  - 2.8.1 Enzootic abortion of Ewes by CFT.
  - 2.8.2 Melioidosis by serum agglutination test.
  - 2.8.3 Trichomonosis, *Camphylobacter fetus* subspecies fetus and *Camphylobacter jejuni* in the case of rams by direct microscopic and culture examination of preputial specimens.
- 2.9 The animal were derived from a farm certified by , LBVD, Myanmar to be free from Leptospirosis caused by *leptospira* serotypes interrogans grippotyphosa and pomona and the animals was tested by the Microscopic Agglutination Test (MAT) for Leptospirosis not more than (1) month prior to export with titers less than 1/100;
- 2.10 The animals have been deticked for all external parasites within 7 or 12 days prior to export.
- 2.11 The animals have been treated with long oxytetracycline at dose rate 5-10 mg/kg live weight ten (10) days prior to export.
- 2.12 The animal have been clinically examined for CLA, including palpation and found to be negative.

#### 3.0 Controls in Myanmar

- 3.1 All animals destined for export to Malaysia shall be originated from the accredited quarantine centers /farms or holding yards, inspected and approved by the DVS Malaysia and LBVD, Myanmar.
- 3.2 Each individual animal will be identified by using Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) approved by Malaysia Veterinary Authority at the cost of the importer for identification and traceability prior to export.
- 3.3 Only animal which have been examine and found to be healthy and free from any clinical disease are approved to export to Malaysia.
- 3.4 A quarantine report shall be issued by a competent veterinary officer of LBVD, Myanmar supervising the approved quarantine centre/farm for every consignment of animals to be exported into Malaysia, prior to the shipment of the animals.

# 4.0 Transportation and Landing Place

The consignment of animals shall be carried by appropriate vehicles direct to the prescribed landing place or any other port/point of entry in Malaysia.

#### 5.0 Arrival in Malaysia

Upon arrival and inspection at the point of entry, the consignment of animals shall then precede to Malaysian approved quarantine in the bordering State where the animals are further quarantined and observed.

#### 6.0 Quarantine in Malaysia

The animals shall be quarantine for a period of not less than 15 clear days at the DVS, Malaysia approved quarantine and shall be subjected to the following measures:

- 6.1.1 Vaccinated against FMD with trivalent (O, A, Asia 1) on day two (2) quarantine and vaccination on day fourteenth (14) quarantine.
- 6.1.2 Laboratory test for NSP ELISA against FMD, test for Brucellosis, Caseous lymphadenitis (CLA), Meliodosis and other test where deemed necessary.
- In the event of FMD or any exotic disease being detected amongst the animals in quarantine, all infected animals must be destroyed and in contact animals must be sent for immediate slaughter. No compensation shall be paid to the importer or owner of the animals.
- All animals shall be released on the day sixteenth (16) quarantine if found to be clinically healthy and free from all infectious or contagious disease. The quarantine period may be extended if deemed necessary.
- The animals from the approved quarantine shall be moved in sealed vehicles to the approved destination/farm(s) where the animals are to be reared under the veterinary supervision.

#### 7.0 Other Condition

- 7.1 If an importer is importing through agents then all the agents must be registered with the office of the Director General of Veterinary services, Malaysia.
- 7.2 All importers or importing agents shall inform the Officer in Charge of the approved quarantine, the number of animals to be imported, proposed date of import and shall follow the schedule of importation before make any commitment for the importation. Any importers or agent who failed to have approval for the place of guarantine shall not import the animal.

### 8.0 Suspension of Import

The Director General of Veterinary Services or State Veterinary Director may at any time when deem necessary to suspend importation from Myanmar either temporary or permanently in the event of disease outbreak or suspected disease outbreak in Myanmar or in the case of importation in contravention of the above regulation.

## 9.0 Right to amend Import Regulations

The Director General of Veterinary Services shall amend the above regulation at anytime as he may deem necessary.

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