

## **REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF GOAT AND SHEEP EMBRYOS FROM INDIA INTO MALAYSIA**

- A. Animal Species : Goat and Sheep
- B. Product : Embryos
- C. Exporting Countries : India
- D. Regulations for importation :

### **1. Import Permit**

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

### **2. Identification**

- 2.1. The identification of the donor, the semen used and the date of collection must be shown in the veterinary health certificate accompanying the embryos.
- 2.2. All ampules and straws must be permanently marked with the identification of donor, the semen used and date of collection.

### **3. Veterinary Certification**

The consignment of embryos shall be accompanied by an official Veterinary Health Certificate in English dated within seven (7) days of export issued by the competent Veterinary Authority of exporting country certifying that ;

- 3.1. The country or zone or province has been free from foot and mouth disease, anthrax, bluetongue, rabies, brucellosis and tuberculosis for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export.
- 3.2. The Embryo Collection Centre is located in the zone or province that has certified by the Veterinary Authority free from contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, sheep pox and goat pox, brucellosis, tuberculosis, caseous lymphadenitis, leptospirosis, caprine retrovirus infections, caprine arthritis and encephalitis, scrapie, bluetongue, trichomoniasis and compylobacteriosis for the past six (6) months prior to collection.
- 3.3. The embryos are derived from animals which had been kept in the Embryo Collection Centre since birth or for at least within six (6) months prior to the date of collection.
- 3.4. No case of contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, peste des petits ruminants, sheep pox and goat pox and any other infectious or contagious disease have been reported in the Embryo Collection Centre for the past twelve (12) months prior to and till the date of export.
- 3.5. The donors were not vaccinated against peste des petits ruminants and sheep pox and goat pox.
- 3.6. On the day of collection of the embryos, the donors animals shall be examined and certified free from any clinical evidence of any infectious or contagious diseases.
- 3.7. The collection fluids and/or degenerated and unfertilised ova were subjected to a validated culture or PCR test for Contagious caprine pleuropneumonia with negative results.
- 3.8. Only new or sterilised containers and fresh nitrogen not previously used for any other

purpose were used for the storage of the embryos. The embryos must be stored at an approved centre for at least 40 days immediately before shipment.

- 3.9. The embryos has been collected and processed with all standard aseptic procedure, examine and certified to have an intact zona pellucid and free of adherent materials at the time of collection and freezing.
- 3.10. The embryos were subjected to washing procedures and trypsin treatment procedures recommended by the International Embryos Transfer Society (I.E.T.S) and the OIE.
- 3.11. The embryos were placed in individual straws, sealed and properly identified.

#### **4. Other Conditions**

The Embryo Collection Centre shall be subjected to inspection by the Department of Veterinary Services Malaysia at any time as and when deemed necessary.

#### **5. Suspension of Import**

The Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia may at any time when deem necessary to suspend importations either temporarily or permanently in the event of disease outbreaks or suspected disease outbreaks in the exporting country or in case of importation in contravention of the above regulations.

#### **6. Right to Amend Import Regulations**

The Director General of Veterinary Services, Malaysia shall amend the above regulations as he may deem necessary.

**Department of Veterinary Services  
Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-Based Industry  
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