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### **QR on Pea Imports Extended Until December 31 2018**

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**Report Highlights:**

On September 28, 2018, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry issued a notification extending the quantitative restrictions (QRs) on imports of all peas by another three months until December 31, 2018.

As a result of the QR and the November 2017 tariff increase on peas, US pulse exports to India totaled only US \$6 million during first seven month of calendar year (CY) 2018, compared to US\$31 million during the same period in CY 2017.

## **General Information:**

### **GOI Extends Quantitative Restrictions on Pea Imports**

On September 28, 2018, the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MOCI) issued a [notification](#) extending the restrictions on pea (HS 0713100) imports, including yellow peas, green peas, dun peas, and kaspas peas, through December 31, 2018.

On April 25, 2018, the DGFT issued a [notification](#) that moved imports of peas under ITC HS 0713 1000 from the 'free' to 'restricted' category under the import policy for the period of April 1 to June 30, 2018, with import quota restrictions of only 100,000 metric tons (see [IN8049](#)).

On July 2, 2018, the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MOCI) issued a [notification](#) further extending the restrictions on pea (HS 0713100) imports from June 30, 2018 to September 30, 2018.

Market sources report that imports against the 100,000 metric ton quota announced on April 25, 2018, were filled by early July 2018. Thus, the recent notification effectively shuts down any imports of peas until December 31, 2018.

As a result of the QR and the November 2017 tariff increase on peas, US pulse exports to India totaled only US \$6 million during first seven month of calendar year (CY) 2018, compared to US\$31 million during the same period in CY 2017.