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### Updates of Import Policy Requirements for Livestock Products

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**Report Highlights:**

On July 24, 2013, the Government of India updated the Directorate General of Foreign Trade's (DGFT) Import Policy 2012. The updated document includes minor changes to chapter 5 and 23 (products of animal origin and animal feed preparations) of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS). This document has not been notified to the World Trade Organization.

## **General Information:**

**Disclaimer:** This summary is based on a cursory review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive ready of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

## **Introduction:**

On July 24, 2013, the Government of India has updated the [Directorate General of Foreign Trade's \(DGFT\) Import Policy 2012](#) to reflect minor changes in Chapters 5 and 23 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS). Chapter 5 deals with products of animal origin not elsewhere specified or included, and Chapter 23 deals with residues and wastes from the food industries (i.e. prepared animal fodder).

The full text of the updated notification is attached at the end of this report. A brief summary of the notification is below.

### **1. Chapter 5: Products of Animal Origin, not elsewhere specified or included**

Policy condition 4 notes that a Sanitary Import Permit shall not be applicable to “human hair.” Policy condition 4 now reads as:

‘Import of all livestock products, shall be subject to a sanitary import permit to be issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Government of India, as per Section 3A of Livestock Importation Act, 1898, as incorporated by Livestock Importation (Amendment) Act, 2001 (Act No. 28 of 2001, 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2001), or as amended from time to time. This condition shall not apply to human hair under ITC (HS Code 0501).’

### **2. Chapter 23: Residues and Wastes from the Food Industries: Prepared Animal Fodder**

Policy condition 1 now specifies that an import permit is required for import of items of animal origin or the products intended for animal feeding containing animal origin materials under IT(HS) Code 2309 ‘Preparations of a kind used in Animal Feeding’. The previous policy condition (published on June 11, 2013 – please see [IN3071](#) ) covered “Import(s) of all items/products.” The new updated policy condition 1 now reads as:

‘Import of items of animal origin or the products intended for animal feeding containing animal origin materials under ITC (HS) Code 2309 ‘Preparations of a kind used in Animal Feeding’ shall be subject to a sanitary import permit to be issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries,

Government of India, as per Section 3A of Livestock Importation Act, 1898, as incorporated by Livestock Import (Amendment) Act, 2001 (Act No. 28 of 2001, 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2001), or as amended from time to time.’

**Background:**

On June 11, 2013, the Directorate General of Foreign Trade’s Import Policy 2012 was amended to reflect the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DAHDF) standing import requirements for equines, bovine embryos, animal feed preparations, and hides and skins. For details, please refer to GAIN [IN3071](#) and [IN3086](#).

**Type of Regulation:** Notified Change

**Important Dates:**

- Publication Date: July 24, 2013
- Date of Implementation: With immediate effect
- WTO Notification Date: Not yet notified (as of September 11, 2013)

**Products Affected:** Livestock products, animal feed preparations

**Agency in Charge:** Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.

**Full text of the amendment:**

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Government of India  
Ministry of Commerce & Industry  
Department of Commerce  
Udyog Bhawan

Notification No. 29 (RE-2013)/2009-2014  
New Delhi, Dated The 24th July, 2013

**Subject: Amendment in Notification No. 18 (RE-2013)/2009-2014 dated 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2013.**

S.O.(E) In exercise of powers conferred by Section 5 of the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992 (No. 22 of 1992), read with paragraph 2.1 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2009-2014, as amended from time to time, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments in Notification No. 18 (RE-2013)/2009-2014 dated 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2013:

- A. Policy Condition 4 of Chapter 5 shall not apply to '*human hair*'. Accordingly, the amended Policy Condition 4 shall read as under:

"Import of all live-stock products, shall be subject to a sanitary import permit to be issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, as per Section 3A of Live-stock Importation Act, 1898, as incorporated by Live Stock Importation (Amendment) Act, 2001 (Act No. 28 of 2001, 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2001), or as amended from time to time. *This condition shall not apply to human hair under ITC (HS) Code 0501*"

- B. The phrase '*Import of items of animal origin or the products intended for animal feeding containing animal origin materials*' shall replace the phrase 'Import of all items/products' at the beginning of the Policy Condition 1 of Chapter 23. Accordingly, the amended Policy Condition 1 shall read as under:

"Import of *items of animal origin or the products intended for animal feeding containing animal origin materials* under ITC (HS) Code 2309 'Preparations of a kind used in Animal Feeding' shall be subject to a sanitary import permit to be issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, as per Section 3A of Live-stock Importation Act, 1898, as incorporated by Live Stock Importation (Amendment) Act, 2001 (Act No. 28 of 2001, 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2001), or as amended from time to time."

**2. Effect of this notification:**

- i. Sanitary Import Permit requirements vide Notification No. 18 of 11.6.2013 will not be applicable to Human hair under ITC (HS) Code 0501.
- ii. Only items of animal origin or the products intended for animal feeding containing animal origin materials under ITC (HS) Code 2309 will require Sanitary Import Permit.

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