PLANT PROTECTION ACT

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PLANT PROTECTION ACT

PART I – PRELIMINARY

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Plant Protection Act.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires-

"beneficial organisms" means organisms, including fungi, bacteria, viruses, virus-like organisms or invertebrate or vertebrate animals, used specifically for-

control of pest; (a)

- (b) pollination;
- (c) the commercial production of agricultural products; or
- (d) other purposes beneficial to agricultural production;

"consignment" means a quantity of plants, plant products or regulated articles being moved from one country to another and covered, when required, by a single phytosanitary certificate;

"container" means a box, bag or other receptacle in which plants, plant products or any object or material capable of harbouring pests have been or are being transported;

"conveyance" means any ship, vessel, aircraft, train, vehicle, cart, container, animal or other animate or inanimate object that can convey plants, plant products, pests, soil or regulated articles from one place to another;

"detention" means keeping of a consignment in custody or confinement for phytosanitary reasons;

"emergency action" means any urgent phytosanitary action undertaken in a new or unexpected phytosanitary situation without full technical justification;

"GMO" or "genetically modified organism" has the same meaning as in the Genetically Modified Organisms Act;

"guidelines" means guidelines issued by the NPPO-

- (a) setting out the requirements, the applicable law and the procedure to be adopted for an application under section 19, 21 or 22;
- (b) available for consultation at the NPPO; and
- (c) posted on the website of the NPPO;

"importer" means any person who, whether as owner, consignor, consignee, agent, broker or otherwise, is in possession of, or is in any way entitled to the custody of any plant, plant product or other regulated article landed or likely to be landed in Mauritius from another country;

"infestation" means a condition whereby the land, plant, soil or other matter or thing in respect of which the term is used supports a pest physically, nutritionally or in any other way or a condition whereby the presence of the pest in or on the land, plant, soil or other matter or thing in question exposes any plant either directly or indirectly to pest infestation;

"Minister" means the Minister to whom responsibility for the subject of agriculture is assigned;

"NPPO" means the National Plant Protection Office referred to in section 4;

"officer" means an officer of the NPPO designated as such under section 4 (2);

"owner", in relation to a thing, includes any person having for the time being the possession, custody or control thereof; "packaging" means any material in which any plant, plant product or regulated article is covered, enclosed, contained or packed;

"pest" means any living stage of any insect, mite, nematode, slug, snail, protozoa, bacterium, fungus, plant or any reproductive part thereof, virus, phytoplasma, or any infectious agent capable of causing damage to any plant, planting material or plant product;

"pest risk analysis" means the process of evaluating biological or other scientific and economic evidence to determine whether a pest should be regulated and the strength of any phytosanitary measures to be taken against it;

"phytosanitary certificate" means a certificate issued under section 22;

"phytosanitary measure" means any measure taken for the prevention of the introduction or spread of quarantine pests, or limiting the adverse economic impact of regulated non-quarantine pests;

"plant" means any living plant and parts thereof, including seeds and germplasm;

"plant import permit" means a permit issued under section 19;

"plant product" means any product derived from plants, either in their natural, manufactured or processed form;

"point of entry" means an airport, seaport or land border point;

"premises" means land or any building or other structure situated on land;

"quarantine" means the confinement of plants, plant products or other regulated articles for observation and research or for further inspection, testing and treatment;

"quarantine area" means an area declared as such under section 10;

"quarantine pest" means a pest specified in Part I of the Schedule;

"re-export phytosanitary certificate" means the certificate issued under section 23;

"regulated article" means any storage place, packaging, conveyance, container, soil and other organism, object or material capable of harbouring or spreading pests, requiring phytosanitary measures and includes a pest, a beneficial organism or GMO;

"regulated non-quarantine pest" means a pest specified in Part II of the Schedule;

"regulated pest" means a quarantine pest or a regulated nonquarantine pest;

"soil" includes earth, water, peat, manure, compost, sand, clay and any other substance capable of supporting plant life, or transmitting any pest, whether or not used or intended to be used as a growing medium, or in any process of manufacture, or as ballast or for any other purpose whatsoever;

"TradeNet" has the same meaning as in the Customs Act;

"water" means water as a medium, including ballast water, capable of harbouring marine and aquatic invasive alien species.

[S. 2 amended by s. 36 (a) of Act 27 of 2013 w.e.f. 1 July 2016.]

3. Application of Act

This Act shall bind the State.

PART II – NATIONAL PLANT PROTECTION OFFICE

4. National Plant Protection Office

- (1) There shall be a division of the Ministry which shall—
 - (a) be known as the National Plant Protection Office or the NPPO; and
 - (b) be the authority responsible for the enforcement of this Act in Mauritius.

(2) The NPPO shall consist of such officers as may be designated by the officer in charge of the Ministry.

(3) The officer in charge of the Ministry shall be responsible for the management and administration of the affairs of the NPPO.

5. Functions and powers of NPPO

(1) The functions of the NPPO shall be to -

- (a) implement the obligations of Mauritius under the International Plant Protection Convention;
- (b) issue phytosanitary certificates;
- (c) protect endangered areas and designate, maintain, and survey pest free areas and areas of low pest prevalence;
- (d) provide information to other countries concerning phytosanitary measures applied, either through pest risk analysis or by reference to applicable international standards;
- (e) distribute information concerning regulated pests and the means of their prevention and control;
- (f) propose, review and enforce phytosanitary measures;
- (g) notify phytosanitary measures to other countries in accordance with international obligations;
- (h) whenever appropriate, represent Mauritius in bilateral, regional, and international fora related to phytosanitary matters;
- advise the Minister on such matters, relating to the containment and eradication of regulated pests, as it considers necessary or as the Minister may request;
- (j) carry out such other functions as may be required to give effect to this Act.

(2) The NPPO shall have such powers as are necessary to discharge its functions under this Act.

6. Identity card

(1) The officer in charge of the Ministry shall issue an identity card to every officer of the NPPO.

- (2) The identity card shall-
 - (a) contain a recent photograph of the officer;
 - (b) contain a copy of the officer's signature; and
 - (c) state an expiry date for the card.

7. Display of identity card

(1) Subject to subsection (2), in the exercise of any power under this Act, in relation to another person, an officer shall produce his identity card for the other person's inspection before exercising the powers.

(2) Where it is not practicable to comply with subsection (1), the officer shall produce his identity card for the other person's inspection at the first reasonable opportunity.

8. Surrender of identity card

(1) Every officer shall, if so requested by the officer in charge of the Ministry or, when he leaves the NPPO, forthwith surrender his identity card.

(2) Any officer who fails to surrender his identity card in the circumstances referred to in subsection (1) shall commit an offence.

PART III - CONTAINMENT AND ERADICATION OF PESTS

9. Duty on owner of premises

Every owner of premises who suspects or becomes aware of the presence of a regulated pest on his premises shall-

- (a) immediately notify the NPPO; and
- (b) send in writing a notice to the NPPO, within 7 days of his suspicion or of becoming aware of the presence of the regulated pest.

10. Pest quarantine area

(1) The Minister may, after consultation with the NPPO, declare any premises that are affected or suspected of being affected with quarantine pest infestation to be a pest quarantine area.

(2) A declaration under subsection (1) shall be published in the *Gazette* and may define the boundaries of the declared pest quarantine area.

(3) An officer may, upon declaration of a pest quarantine area, take immediate measures to- $\!\!\!\!$

- (a) prohibit the movement of people, conveyances, plants, plant products or other regulated articles from or to a specified location;
- (b) prohibit the planting or replanting of a specified location; and
- (c) take any other measure which he considers necessary under the circumstances.

11. Revocation of quarantine areas

Where, upon the advice of the NPPO, the Minister is of the opinion that-

- (a) the quarantine pest in respect of which a quarantine was declared is no longer present in the quarantine area; and
- (b) it is no longer appropriate for the quarantine to be maintained in respect of part or all of the infested area,

he shall revoke or modify the quarantine declaration and give notice of such revocation or modification in the *Gazette*.

12. Control measures for quarantine areas

(1) An officer may, where he reasonably believes that any premises within the quarantine area is being infested by a quarantine pest, exercise such powers as are assigned to him under this Act and require by way of notice—

- (a) the owner of the premises;
- (b) the owner of premises in the vicinity,

to take, within such period of time as may be specified in the notice, such measures as he thinks fit to eradicate, contain or restrict the spread of the quarantine pest.

(2) The officer may, in the notice referred to in subsection (1), specify that $\!-\!$

- (a) any treatment or destruction of plants or plant products and other regulated articles or other matter or things shall be carried out within a specified period of time or under the direction of an officer;
- (b) the costs of the treatment or destruction performed by, or under the direction of, an officer shall be at the cost of the owner of the premises.

(3) Where there is no person in actual occupation of any premises, or where the occupier cannot be found, service of any notice under this Act may be made by affixing the same in some conspicuous place on the premises, and such affixing shall be deemed to be sufficient service.

(4) Where the urgency of the situation so requires or the owner of any premises fails to comply with a notice issued under this section, the NPPO

may take such measures as are appropriate to eradicate, contain or restrict the spread of the quarantine pest.

(5) Any cost incurred under subsection (4) may be claimed from the owner of the premises.

13. Declaration of pest free areas

(1) Where the NPPO is satisfied that a pest is not present in an area, it shall-

- (a) adopt phytosanitary measures to keep the area free of pest; and
- (b) institute a monitoring system to verify that that condition is maintained.

(2) The NPPO may declare an area being monitored under subsection (1) as a pest free area.

14. Declaration of areas of low-pest prevalence

(1) Where the NPPO is satisfied that a regulated pest occurs at low levels in an area, it shall—

- (a) adopt such phytosanitary measures as are appropriate to keep the pest levels low; and
- (b) institute a surveillance system to verify that the pest levels remain low.

(2) The NPPO may declare an area being monitored under subsection (1) as an area of low-pest prevalence.

15. Pest surveillance programme

(1) The NPPO may, for the purpose of confirming the presence or ascertaining the extent of the presence of a pest to which the programme applies, in respect of a designated area, conduct a pest surveillance programme.

(2) The NPPO shall, as far as possible, ensure that timely information about the nature and extent of the programme is advertised to persons likely to be affected by the programme.

(3) No pest surveillance programme shall be conducted without the approval of the Minister and unless notice of the pest surveillance programme has been published in the *Gazette*.

16. Specific pest infestation

(1) Subject to subsection (3), an officer may, for the purpose of controlling or removing a regulated pest existing in or upon any premises or for the purpose of preventing the spread of any existing regulated pest to any premises, issue a notice in writing directing the owner of the premises forthwith, or within a time specified by the officer, to take such measures as he thinks fit, including to—

(a) quarantine, upon conditions as directed, all or any part of the premises in question;

- (b) destroy any regulated pest thereon or any plants, packages or other matter or thing that are infested with a regulated pest;
- (c) treat as directed all or any part of the premises or any plant, plant products soil or other matter or thing thereon.
- (2) Any direction given under subsection (1) may include-
 - (a) a direction that the destruction shall be performed in accordance with the directions of, the officer;
 - (b) a direction that the destruction shall be performed by, or under the direction of the officer.

(3) An officer shall not give a direction under subsection (1) ordering the destruction of any part of a healthy crop that is not infested with a regulated pest unless he considers it necessary to do so in order to prevent, control or remove pest infestation of plants.

(4) Where any part of a healthy crop that is not infested is destroyed pursuant to subsection (3), the owner of the crop shall be paid such compensation as may be prescribed.

(5) No compensation shall be paid to a person who commits an offence under this Act.

(6) For the purposes of this section, "crop" means a plant that is intentionally grown for its consumption as food or fodder or for its resale or the sale of its products or for a commercial use.

17. Imminent risk of infestation on premises not under quarantine

(1) An officer may, where he is satisfied on reasonable grounds that there is an imminent risk of a pest infestation on any premises, other than premises in a pest quarantine area, exercise such powers as are assigned to him under this Act, to avoid the risk of a pest infestation.

(2) In considering whether there is an imminent risk of pest infestation on any premises, the officer shall have regard to -

- (a) the proximity of the premises to a known infestation of the pest; and
- (b) the ability of the pest to spread.

PART IV - IMPORT AND EXPORT

18. Phytosanitary measures for imports

(1) The NPPO may, in relation to the importation of plants, plant products and other regulated articles -

- (a) establish phytosanitary requirements;
- (b) refuse entry to or detain any plant, plant product or other regulated article that does not comply with the phytosanitary requirements established under paragraph (a);

- (c) require-
 - (i) the treatment;
 - (ii) the destruction; or
 - (iii) the removal from the territory of Mauritius,

of any plant, plant product or other regulated article that does not comply with the phytosanitary requirements established under paragraph (a);

- (d) designate certain places as plant quarantine stations where plants, plant products or other regulated articles may be kept for phytosanitary observation, research, inspection, testing, treatment, detention or destruction; or
- (e) take such other action as may be prescribed.

(2) The NPPO shall publish the phytosanitary requirements established under subsection (1) in the Gazette.

19. Import requirements

(1) (a) Any person who imports or causes the importation of a plant, plant product or other regulated article shall apply for a plant import permit from the NPPO.

(aa) Every application for a plant import permit shall be made in such form and manner as may be prescribed and in accordance with relevant guidelines.

(b) The NPPO shall, not later than 5 working days from the date of receipt of an application and on being satisfied that the requirements of the guidelines have been fulfilled, issue a plant import permit.

(c) Where the NPPO rejects an application, it shall notify, in such manner as may be prescribed, the applicant of the reasons for the rejection.

(d) The making of an application and the issue of a plant import permit shall be effected either electronically through the TradeNet or, in exceptional or unforeseen circumstances, in such other manner as the NPPO may determine.

(2) Any importation made under subsection (1) shall be made through the point of entry designated in the plant import permit, and shall be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate issued not more than 14 days prior to shipment, by the plant protection authority of the exporting country.

(3) The Minister may, after consultation with the NPPO, prohibit or regulate the importation of any plant, plant product or other regulated article, in such manner as may be prescribed.

(4) For the purpose of this section-

"importation" includes landing or off-loading from any conveyance of any plant, plant product or other regulated article in transit through Mauritius.

[S. 19 amended by s. 36 (b) of Act 27 of 2013 w.e.f. 1 July 2016; s. 23 (a) Act 4 of 2017 w.e.f. 20 May 2017.]

20. Inspections

(1) Any plant, plant product and other regulated article imported into Mauritius may, on importation, be subject to inspection at the point of entry, or at its final destination, by an officer.

(2) An inspection under subsection (1) shall be carried out at such time as may be prescribed.

(3) (a) Where the imported plant, plant product or other regulated article complies with the requirements under this Act, the officer shall authorise, in such manner as may be prescribed, delivery of the imported product to the importer.

(b) Where an officer determines that the imported product fails to comply with the requirements of this Act, or otherwise presents any risk for the introduction or spread of pests, he shall notify, in such manner as may be prescribed, the importer of the reasons for his determination.

(4) Where an officer has made a determination under subsection (3) (b), he may -

- (a) detain until the completion of laboratory tests;
- (b) remove for specified treatment prior to delivery;
- (c) remove for quarantine;
- (d) authorise the re-export of; or
- (e) destroy,

the imported product or part thereof.

(5) The authorisation or notification under subsection (3) may be waived where $\!-\!$

- (a) the authorisation or notification is impracticable; or
- (b) the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the destruction of the goods is urgently required.

(6) Where the imported product lies unclaimed for such period as an officer considers unreasonable after its entry into Mauritius or after treatment, the officer may take such action as may be appropriate to destroy it.

(7) Any expenses incurred for any action taken under this section shall be at the cost of the importer.

[S. 20 amended by s. 36 (c) of Act 27 of 2013 w.e.f. 1 July 2016; s. 23 (b) Act 4 of 2017 w.e.f. 20 May 2017.]

21. Duty of notification of arrival

(1) Any person who imports or causes the importation of any plant, plant product or other regulated article shall—

(a) notify the arrival of such importation; and

(b) apply for phytosanitary inspection,

to an officer at the point of entry.

(1A) (a) An application for a phytosanitary inspection shall be made in such form and manner as may be prescribed and in accordance with relevant guidelines.

(b) The making of an application and payment of any fee shall be effected either electronically through the TradeNet or, in exceptional or unforeseen circumstances, in such other manner as the NPPO may determine.

(2) Where an officer has reasonable grounds to believe that an importer may or is trying to avoid the enforcement of any phytosanitary measure, he may—

- (a) detain or cause the detention of such plant, plant product or other regulated article; and
- (b) take such measures as may be appropriate under this Act. [S. 21 amended by s. 36 (d) of Act 27 of 2013 w.e.f. 1 July 2016.]

22. Export phytosanitary certification

(1) Any person exporting a plant, plant product or other regulated article from Mauritius shall apply for a phytosanitary certificate from the NPPO.

(1A) An application for a phytosanitary certificate shall be made in such form and manner as may be prescribed and in accordance with relevant guidelines.

(2) The NPPO shall, on an application by an exporter under subsection (1), cause an inspection of the consignment to be carried out.

(3) The NPPO shall issue, in such manner as may be prescribed, a phytosanitary certificate where -

- (a) the consignment meets the requirements of the importing country;
- (b) the consignment satisfies every other requirement for export under this Act; and
- (c) the exporter has paid the prescribed fee.

(4) The NPPO may refuse to issue, in such manner as may be prescribed, a phytosanitary certificate where any of the requirements specified in subsection (3) has not been met.

(5) The making of an application, the issue of a phytosanitary certificate and payment of the prescribed fee shall be effected either electronically through the TradeNet or, in exceptional or unforeseen circumstances, in such other manner as the NPPO may determine.

[S. 22 amended by s. 36 (e) of Act 27 of 2013 w.e.f. 1 July 2016.]

23. Re-export phytosanitary certification

(1) Where a consignment is imported into Mauritius, and re-exported to another country, the NPPO shall issue, in such manner as may be prescribed, a re-export phytosanitary certificate in such form as the NPPO may approve, on-

- being satisfied that the importing country's requirements are met; and
- (b) payment of such fee as may be prescribed.

(2) The original phytosanitary certificate shall, in such manner as may be prescribed, accompany any consignment to be re-exported under subsection (1).

(3) The making of an application, the issue of a re-export phytosanitary certificate and payment of the prescribed fee shall be effected either electronically through the TradeNet or, in exceptional or unforeseen circumstances, in such other manner as the NPPO may determine.

[S. 23 amended by s. 36 (f) of Act 27 of 2013 w.e.f. 1 July 2016.]

24. Transit consignment

(1) Subject to subsection (2), where a consignment is in transit, no phytosanitary certificate or re-export phytosanitary certificate shall be required.

(2) Where an officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the consignment in transit may have been exposed to pest infestation, the officer may take such measures as may be appropriate and issue a phytosanitary certificate.

(3) For the purpose of this section, a consignment is deemed to be in transit where a consignment which is not imported in Mauritius passes through Mauritius for another country, subject to such measures as may be prescribed under this Act, to ensure that the consignment remains enclosed, is not split up, is not combined with another consignment or has its packing changed.

25. Authorities to assist and co-operate

(1) The NPPO may request the assistance of the police, customs, or any authority or person, in the performance of its functions and in the exercise of its powers under this Act.

(2) Any authority to which or a person to whom a request has been made under subsection (1) shall provide such facilities and assistance as are necessary.

PART V – ENFORCEMENT

26. Powers of officers

(1) For the purpose of detecting pests or ensuring compliance with this Act, an officer $\mathrm{may}-$

 enter and search any place and make such investigation or inspection as is necessary for the purposes of this Act, including breaking open and searching any container, receptacle or enclosed place, conducting tests and taking samples of any matter or thing for testing or as evidence;

- (b) inspect consignments of plants, plant products and other regulated articles;
- (c) carry out pre-clearance inspections where requested;
- (d) treat or destroy any plant, plant product and other regulated article;
- (e) stop any conveyance, which an officer believes on reasonable grounds may harbour a pest;
- (f) seize any matter or thing that an officer believes-
 - (i) will be of evidential value in relation to the commission of an offence;
 - (ii) is a pest;
 - (iii) is infested with a pest,

together with any container convenient to facilitate the seizure;

- (g) store, treat, quarantine or dispose of the plant, plant product or other regulated article at a place where it was seized or move it to any other place for storage, treatment, quarantine or disposition;
- direct any person to furnish for inspection at such time and place as the officer may specify, any permit or record or copy of, or extracts from, permits or records prepared or kept for a purpose connected with this Act;
- take notes or copies of, or extracts from, anything furnished pursuant to paragraph (h);
- (j) monitor plant movements;
- (k) take photographs for the purpose of enforcing this Act;
- (I) take samples of any matter or thing for testing or identification;
- (m) lay baits and set lures or traps;
- (n) question any person to ascertain whether this Act has been complied with;

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(o) direct a person to take such steps as may be appropriate to ensure compliance with this Act.

(2) An officer may, in the performance of his functions and the exercise of his powers under this Act, be assisted by a police officer.

(3) (a) An officer shall not enter any dwelling house for the purpose of carrying out any of his functions or exercise any of his powers under this Act, unless he is authorised to do so by a warrant from a Magistrate.

(b) A Magistrate shall not grant a warrant under paragraph (a) unless he is satisfied that the officer has reasonable grounds for requiring entry to the dwelling house.

(4) Any direction given pursuant to subsection (1) (h) shall not prejudice or affect in any way any proceedings or action that has been or may be taken for failure to comply that has resulted in the directions.

(5) A person who, without reasonable excuse, fails to comply with a direction or requirement under this section shall commit an offence.

(6) Nothing in this section shall be construed as prejudicing a person's right against self-incrimination.

27. Reasons for seizure

(1) An officer who seizes and detains a plant, plant product or other regulated article under this Act shall, as soon as is practicable, notify the owner of the plant, plant product or other regulated article of the reason for the seizure.

(2) An officer, who seizes and detains a plant, plant product or other regulated article shall not be required to comply with subsection (1) where, in his opinion, the destruction of any plant, plant product or other regulated article is urgently required or the giving of the reason for the seizure is impractical.

28. Appeal

Any person who is aggrieved by the decision of an officer to destroy, dispose of or treat those articles may lodge an appeal before the Minister in such manner as may be prescribed.

29. Offences

Any person who, either personally or through another person-

- grows, is in possession of or sells, offers for sale, transports or distributes in any manner, plants, plant products or other regulated articles, knowing that they are infested by a quarantine pest;
- (b) fails to comply with any direction lawfully made or given under this Act;

- imports or causes to import any plants, plant products or other regulated articles at a point of entry other than that stipulated in the import permit or authorisation;
- (d) imports into or causes to import into, exports or causes to export from Mauritius any plant, plant product or other regulated article without any phytosanitary certificate or permit required under this Act;
- (e) intentionally permits or causes the introduction or spread of any quarantine pest in Mauritius;
- (f) fails to safeguard the phytosanitary security of a consignment after the issue of a phytosanitary certificate under this Act;
- (g) fails to allow a search or inspection or the taking of any sample authorised under this Act;
- (h) breaks the seal on a sealed container containing plants, plant products or other regulated articles, except in the presence of an officer;
- knowingly or recklessly provides information which is false or misleading, for the purpose of obtaining any document under this Act;
- (j) alters, forges, defaces or destroys any document issued under this Act,

shall commit an offence.

30. Penalties

(1) Any person who commits an offence under this Act shall be liable-

- (a) on a first conviction, to a fine not exceeding 10,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months;
- (b) on a second and subsequent conviction, to a fine not exceeding 50,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years.

(2) The Court convicting a person of an offence under this Act may, in addition to any penalty provided for under subsection (1), order that any conveyance, article or object used in the perpetration of the offence, be forfeited.

31. Protection from liability

The NPPO or any officer shall not be liable for the destruction of plants, plant products or other regulated articles, or any action done in good faith, in the implementation of any phytosanitary measure taken under this Act.

PART VI – MISCELLANEOUS

32. Regulations

(1) The Minister may make such regulations as he thinks fit for the purposes of this $\mbox{Act}.$

[Issue 1]

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), the Minister may make regulations to provide for—

- (a) the designation of points of entry for the importation of consignments;
- (b) the issue of permits and certificates;
- (c) the classification of pest;
- (d) declaration of a pest free area or an area of low pest prevalence;
- (e) requirements for export of consignments;
- (f) conditions under which consignments may be inspected under this Act;
- (g) destruction of consignments seized or detained under this Act;
- (h) the procedures to be followed for lodging an appeal under this Act;
- (i) fees payable in relation to inspections and services provided for under this Act;
- (j) the implementation of phytosanitary measures under this Act;
- (k) the approval of quarantine stations, official analysts and laboratories or any person or institution from the public or private sector involved in phytosanitary matters; and
- (I) amendment of the Schedules.

33. Saving

(1) —

(2) Any certificate, permit or authorisation granted under the repealed Plants Act, and which is still valid at the time of coming into operation of this Act, shall be deemed to have been issued under this Act.

34. –

SCHEDULE

[Section 2]

PART I – LIST OF QUARANTINE PESTS

Bacteria and Phytoplasmas

Acidovorax anthurii

Blood disease bacterium of banana

Cassava witches broom

Clavibacter michiganensis sub.sp michiganensis

Clavibacter michiganensis sub.sp sepedonicus

Curtobacterium flaccumfaciens pv flaccumfaciens

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Acyrthosiphon pisum Aleurocanthus woglumi Aleurocanthus zizyphi Aleurodicus destructor Aleurodicus dugesii Aleyrodes protella Anacridium melanorhodon Anastrepha fraterculus Anastrepha grandis Anastrepha interrupta Anastrepha ludens Anastrepha mombinpraeoptans Anastrepha obliqua Anastrepha serpentina Anastrepha striata Anastrepha suspensa Anoplophora chinensis Anoplophora glabripennis Aonidiella orientalis Aphis coreopsidis Aphis glycines Aphis idaei Aphis rubifolii Aphis rumicis Aphis sesbaniae Aspidiotus nerii Atranchya sp Aulacaspis yasumatsui Aulacophora foveicollis Aulacophora indica Aulacophora lewisii Bactrocera correcta Bactrocera cucumis Bactrocera dorsalis Bactrocera dorsalis species complex Bactrocera invadens Bactrocera neohumeralis

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Bactrocera tau Bactrocera tryoni Bemisia tabaci biotype Q Brevipalpus californicus Cacoecimorpha pronubana Cerataphis orchidearum Ceratitis cosyra Ceratitis malgassa Ceratovacuna lanigera Ceroplastes ceriferus Ceroplastes destructor Ceroplastes rubens Ceroplastes rusci Chaetanaphothrips signipennis Chaetosiphon fragaefolii Chaetosiphon fragariae Chaetosiphon tetrarhodum Chaetosiphon thomasi Chromatomyia horticola Chrysodeixis eriosoma Cochliothis melolonthoides Dialeurodes citri Dialeurodes citrifolii Danothrips trifasciatus Eldana saccharina Eutetranychus orientalis Epilachna varivestis Frankliniella bispinosa Frankliniella intonsa Frankliniella fusca Frankliniella occidentalis Frankliniella schultzei Gynaikothrips ficorum Hayhurstia atriplicis Helicoverpa assulta Hercinothrips femoralis Heteronychus arator

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Heteronychus plebejus Hoplochelus marginalis Hylurgus ligniperda Hysteroneura setariae lcerya aegyptiaca Leptinotarsa decemlineata Leucinodes orbonalis Liriomyza brassicae Liriomyza bryoniae Liriomyza sativae Lopholeucaspis japonica Maconellicoccus hirsutus Macrosiphum pelargonii Mamestra brassicae Megalurothrips distalis Megalurothrips usitatus Melanoplus differentialis Myzus ascalonicus Myzus ornatus Neoaliturus opacipennis Neoaliturus tenellus Nipaecoccus nipae Parlatoria oleae Parlatoria pergandii Paysandisia archon Perkinsiella vastatrix Perkinsiella vitiensis Petrobia latens Pezothrips kellyanus Phoracantha recurva Phthorimaea operculella Planococcus minor Planococcus musae Pseudococcus calceolariae Pseudococcus comstocki Pseudococcus jackbeardsleyi Quadraspidiotus perniciosus

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Rastrococcus iceryoides Rastrococcus invadens Rhopalosiphon padi Rhagoletis cerasi Rhagoletis pomonella Rhynchophorus ferrugineus Rhynchophorus phoenicis Scirtothrips dorsalis Sesamia cretica Sitobion fragariae Symmetrischema tangolias Tetranychus cinnabarinus Thrips flavus Thrips hawaiiensis Thrips imaginis Thrips parvispinus Toxoptera odinae Trialeurodes ricini Trialeurodes vaporariorum Trichoplusia ni Unaspis yanonensis Uroleucon ambrosiae Nematodes Anguina tritici Aphelenchoides besseyi Aphelenchoides fragariae Bursaphelenchus xylophilus Ditylenchus destructor Ditylenchus dipsaci Globodera pallida Globodera rostochiensis Heterodera schachtii Meloidogyne chitwoodi Meloidogyne fallax Meloidogyne hapla Nacobbus aberrans Pratylenchus goodeyi

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Strawberry latent ringspot virus

Strawberry mild mottle virus

Strawberry mild yellow edge virus

Strawberry vein banding virus

Sugarcane fiji disease

Sugarcane mosaic virus

Sugarcane streak mosaic virus

Sweet potato feathery mottle virus

Sweet potato yellow dwarf virus

Tobacco ringspot virus

Tomato black ring virus

Tomato bushy stunt virus

Tomato ringspot virus

Tomato spotted wilt virus

Tomato yellow leaf curl virus

PART II – LIST OF REGULATED NON-QUARANTINE PESTS

Bacteria and Phytoplasmas

Candidatus liberobacter asiaticum Candidatus liberobacter africanum Clavibacter xyli subsp xyli Erwinia chrysanthemi Xanthomonas albilineans Xanthomonas axonopodis pv mangiferae indicae Xanthomonas axonopodis pv phaseoli Xanthomonas axonopodis pv vasculorum Xanthomonas axonopodis pv vesicatoria Xanthomonas axonopodis pv vitians Xanthomonas campestris pv campestris Pseudomonas savastanoi pv phaseolicola Pseudomonas syringae pv tomato Xylella fastidiosa Fungi Alternaria dauci Cercospora kikuchii Colletotrichum acutatum

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Colletotrichum capsici Colletotrichum coccoides Helminthosporium solani Mycosphaerella citri Mycosphaerella eumusae Mycosphaerella musicola Phytophthora capsici Phytophthora colocasiae Phytophthora infestans Spongospora subterranea f.sp subterranea Stenocarpella macrospora Stenocarpella maydis Urocystis cepulae **Insects and Mites** Acyrthosiphon solani Aphis craccivora Aphis gossypii Bemisia argentifolii Bemisia tabaci Diaphorina citri Dysmicoccus brevipes Macrosiphum euphorbiae Melanaphis sacchari Myzus persicae Perkinsiella saccharicida Phthorimaea operculella Rhopalosiphon maidis Saccharicoccus sacchari Toxoptera citricidus Trioza erythreae Nematodes Meloidogyne arenaria Meloidogyne incognita Meloidogyne javanica Pratylenchus brachyurus Scutellonema brachyurum Virus and Viroids Banana streak virus

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Bean common mosaic virus Bean yellow mosaic virus Beet curly top virus Carnation etch ring virus Carnation necrotic fleck virus Carnation ringspot virus Chrysanthemum stunt viroid Citrus tristeza virus Cowpea mild mottle virus Cymbidium mosaic virus Grapevine fan leaf nepovirus Lettuce mosaic virus Odontoglossum ringspot virus Orchid fleck virus Peanut clump virus Peanut mottle virus Peanut rosette virus Peanut stripe virus Pea seedborne mosaic virus Pelargonium leaf curl virus Pepper mild mottle virus Raspberry ringspot virus Tobacco necrosis virus Tobacco streak virus Vanilla mosaic potyvirus