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**Advisory on Analysis and Residue testing under the National Programme for Organic
Production (NPOP), 8th Edition**

Dear Certification Bodies,

As you are aware, the Eighth Edition of the National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) was notified by DGFT vide notification No. 39/2024-25 dated 05.01.2025 with a transition period of 180 days.

As the transition period is over, the NPOP 8th Edition has come into force vide the aforementioned notification.

In this regard, the requirements pertaining Analysis and residue Testing as provided in **Regulation 4.4.1.3 of NPOP, 8th Edition** are reproduced below:

- *The Certification Body shall take and analyze samples for detecting presence of unauthorized substances in the organic processes. The number of samples to be taken and analyzed by the Certification Body every year shall be at least 5% of the total number of Operators under its control.*
- *Additionally, samples from minimum 2% farmers of each Grower Group shall also be analyzed for detecting presence of unauthorized substances in the organic process*
- *The Certification Body shall bear the cost of analysis and residue testing for the mandatory 5% testing required under the regulation.*
- *The Certification Body shall take and analyze samples in each case where the use of products or techniques not authorised for organic production is suspected. In such cases, samples in addition to 5% shall be drawn and tested.*

All Certification Bodies are required to comply with the provisions stated above.

Compliance of the above stated provisions of the NPOP 8th Edition along with the proof of implementation to be submitted by the Certification Bodies within 30 days from the date of issuance of this advisory.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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