

Prohibitions and Restrictions regarding the import of plants or Plant products into Nepal

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Plant Protection Act, 2029, His Majesty's Government has prohibited the import of the following Plant or Plant Products from the following countries into Nepal:-

1. Maize (*Zea mays*):

- a] The importation of maize seedling from any country is prohibited.
- b] In order to prevent the entry, of bacterial wilt, the importation of maize seed is prohibited from the following countries:-

Prohibited disease	Prohibited countries
Bacterial wilt (<i>Xanthomonas stewartii</i>)	Canada, Puerto Rico, U.S.A., Italy, USSR, and other countries where the disease has been reported to have occurred.

2. Tobacco (*Nicotiana tabacum*):

- a] The importation of tobacco seedlings from any country is prohibited.
- b] Tobacco seed imported from any country must be accompanied by an official certificate mentioning that the seed has been dipped in 0.1 percent silver nitrate solution for 15 minutes.
- c] Tobacco imported for consumption must be accompanied by an official certificate mentioning that it is free from tobacco moth (*Ephestia Elutella*) or that the country of origin is free from tobacco moth.
- d] In order to prevent the entry of tobacco moth and blue mold disease, the importation of tobacco seed is prohibited from the following countries:

Prohibited disease & insects	Prohibited countries
Tobacco moth (<i>Ephestia elutella</i>)	U.S.A., Congo, Magambique, West Africa and other countries where the insect has been reported to have occurred.
Blue Mold (<i>Perenospora tabacina</i>)	Australia, N. America and South America

3. Sugarcane (*Saccharum Officinarum*):

- a] Sugarcane setts imported from any country must be accompanied by an official certificate mentioning that they are free from destructive diseases and insects especially sugarcane mosaic virus, sugarcane Fije Virus, Pine apple disease, Sereh disease, Gummosis, Ratoon virus and grassy shoot virus.
- b] In order to prevent the entry of destructive disease and insects, the importation of sugarcane setts is prohibited from the following countries:-

Prohibited diseases and insects	Prohibited countries
Gummosis (<i>Xanthomonas vasculrum</i>)	Australia, South America, Mexico, West Indies, Reunion, Mauritius, Medeira, South Africa, Malagasy and Indonesia.
Ratoon Virus	Australia, Africa, Hawaii, Mexico, West Indies, Peurto Rico, Lousiana and Florida (USA), Fije, Central America, Philippines and Taiwan.
Pine Apple disease (<i>Ceratostomella paradoxa</i>)	Countries where pine-apple disease has been reported to have occurred.
Sereh Disease	Countries where serch disease has been reported to have occurred.
Sugarcane Mosaic Virus	Countries where Sugarcane Mosaic Virus has been reported to have occurred.
Grassy Shoot Virus	Countries where Grassy Shoot Virus has been reported to have occurred.
Sugarcane Fije Disease	Countries where Sugarcane Fije Disease has been reported to have occurred.
Stalk Borer (<i>Diatraea Species</i>)	USA, Mexico, West Indies, Central America and South America.
Gugarcane Root Stock Borrer Weevil (<i>Diaprepes abbreviatus</i>)	West Indies
Leaf scald (<i>Xanthomonas elibilineans</i>)	Malagasy, Maureitius, Taiwan, Reunion, Hawaii, Cambodia, Vietnam, Java, Philippines, Australia.
White Cane Grub (<i>Celemona smithii</i>)	Barbados, Trinidad, Mauritius.

4. Citrus fruits (*Citrus species*):

In order to prevent the entry of greening and other destructive disease and insects, the importation of citrus seedling is prohibited.

5. Tea (*Thea sinensis*):

In order to prevent the entry of destructive diseases and insects, the importation of tea grafts and seedlings is prohibited from the following countries:

Prohibited diseases and insects	Prohibited countries
<i>Exobasidium reticulatum</i>	Japan
<i>Phloem Neerosis Virus</i>	Sri Lanka

6. Cotton (*Gossypium species*):

- a] The importation of unginned cotton is prohibited.
- b] Cotton imported from western Hemisphere must be fumigated otherwise it will be fumigated at the point of entry.
- c] In order to prevent the entry of destructive diseases and insects, the importation of cotton seed is prohibited from the following countries:-

Prohibited diseases and insects	Prohibited countries
Mexican cotton boll weevil (<i>Anthonomus grandis</i>)	Peru and other countries where the insect has been reported to have occurred.
Boll weevil (<i>Anthonomus species</i>)	Countries of western Hemisphere
Texas root rot (<i>Phymatotrichum Omnivorum</i>)	Mexico and USA.
False Pink boll worm (<i>Sacadales pyralis</i>)	Trinidad, Guinea, Venezuela, Colombia, Costa Rica, Panama and Nicaragua.
Leaf Curl Virus	Africa

7. Potato (*Solanum Tuberosum*):

- a] Potato tubers imported from any country must be free from stem, leaf, root and soil.
- b] Potato tubers imported for consumption must be thoroughly washed or free from soil and treated with sprouting inhibitor.
- c] In order to prevent the entry of destructive diseases and insects, the importation of potato tubers is prohibited from the following countries:-

Prohibited diseases and insects	Prohibited countries
Colorado potato beetle (<i>Leptinotarssa decemlineata</i>)	North American and European countries.
Bacterial ring rot (<i>Corynebacterium sepedonicum</i>)	North America, Costa Rica, Europe, Venezuela, Japan, New Zealand.
Golden Nematode (<i>Heterodera rostochiensis</i>)	Europe, Long Island of USA, Algeria, Israel, New Zealand, Nilgiri (India).
Wart (<i>Synehytrium Endobioticum</i>)	South Africa, Europe, Japan, North America, West Bengal (India).

8. Banana and other plants of family Musacea (*Musa species*):

Prohibited diseases and insects	Prohibited countries
Moko disease (<i>Pseudomonas solanacearum</i>)	Central and South America, Caribbean Area and other countries where the disease has been reported to have occurred.
Bunchy Top Virus	Amer, Samoa, Sri Lanka, Ellice Islands, Fiji, India, Pakistan, New Hebrides, North Borneo, Wallis Islands, Philippines, West Somoa.
Panama disease (<i>Fuisarium oxysporum</i>)	Burma, Sri Lanka, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Malaya, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Thailand.
Root Nematode (<i>Radopholus Similis</i>)	Countries where root Nematode has been reported to have occurred.
Black Leaf Streak (<i>Microsphacrella fijiensis</i>)	Countries where black leaf streak has been reported to have occurred.

9. Paddy (*Oryza Sativa*):

- a] In order to prevent the entry of destructive diseases and insects the importation of paddy seedlings and plants from any country is prohibited.
- b] The importation of Paddy seeds is prohibited from the countries where virus diseases like *Hoja blanca* are reported to have occurred.

10. Sweet Potato (*Ipomoea batatas*):

In order to prevent the entry of virus diseases, the importation of sweet potato grafts or seedlings is prohibited.

11. Tomato (*Lycopersicon esculentum*):

- a] In order to prevent the entry of destructive diseases and insects, the importation of tomato seedlings from any country is prohibited.
- b] Tomato seed imported from other countries must be acid extracted or heat therapy treated.

12. Ground Nut (*Agachis hypogea*):

In order to prevent the entry of destructive diseases and insects, the importation of groundnut seedlings and plants is prohibited.

13. Bread fruit (*Artocarpus species*):

In order to prevent the entry of pingalap disease, the importation of Bread fruit plants and seedlings is prohibited from the following countries:-

Prohibited diseases	Prohibited countries
Pingalap disease	Guam, Pingalap atoll, Pingalap Islands, Namorik, Atoll, Gilbert Ellice Islands, American Samoa and Truk Ponape Islands.

14. Fruits and Vegetables:

In order to prevent the entry of fruits Flies, the importation of fruits and vegetables is prohibited from the following countries:-

Prohibited insects	Prohibited countries
Fruit flies (<i>Anastraepha species</i>) (<i>Ceratitits species</i>) (<i>Strumeta species</i>)	Mexico, Central America, South America, USA, West Indies, Africa, Europe, Australia and Near East.

15. Sunflower :

The importation of sunflower seed and seedlings is prohibited from the countries where downy mildew and mosaic diseases have been reported.

16. Lettuce (*Lettuca sativa*):

The importation of lettuce seed and seedlings is prohibited from the countries where lettuce mosaic has been reported.

17. Soil and rooted plants:

The importation of soil, humus, forest litter, saw dust or any other medium on which plants can grow, from any country is prohibited but if there is no other means of introducing the required plant, the importation of such plant will be permitted in small quantities.

18. Wheat (*Triticum species*):

- a] In order to prevent the entry of destructive diseases and insects, the prohibition of wheat seedlings from any country is prohibited.
- b] The importation of wheat seed is prohibited from countries where Ear Cockle and Downy mildew have been reported to have occurred.

19. Giant African Snail (*Achatina fulica*) and Other Snails:

In order to prevent the entry of Giant African Snail and other snails, plants, plant products, machinery and means of transport will be inspected at the point of entry and will be permitted to enter only if they are found to be free from these snails.

By Order,
Sd. K.D. Adhikari
H.H. G's Secretary

Dated: 7th April, 1975.