SCREENING CHAPTER 12
FOOD SAFETY, VETERINARY AND PHYTOSANITARY POLICIES

AGENDA ITEM 33: HARMFUL ORGANISMS

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I. PHYTOSANITARY LEGISLATION
Law No: 6968 Plant Protection and Plant Quarantine published in 1957

Describes plant quarantine, movement of plant propagation materials, plant protection activities, measures should be taken in general. Regulations, Implementing Regulations, communiqués and circulars refer to this law.

Objectives

- To prevent introduction of harmful organisms to Turkey
- To prevent the spread of harmful organisms in Turkey
- To put the rules for plant protection activities
Regulations:

Plant Quarantine

Implementing Regulations:

Plant Quarantine
Plant Quarantine Fumigation
Plant Quarantine Inspectors
Plant Quarantine Sampling and Analysis
Marking of Wood Packaging Materials (ISPM-15)
Communiqués:

Domestic Quarantine
Control Measures of Potato Ring Rot Disease
Control Measures of *Ralstonia solanacearum*
Control Measures of Potato Wart Disease
Control Measures of Potato Cyst Nematodes

Circulars:
Requirements, inspection, registration and documentation of growers producing commercial propagation materials
II. IMPORT
Implementing Regulation on Plant Quarantine

Scope, definitions, prohibitions, requirements, inspection, notification, interception

Annex I: Harmful organisms introduction of which is prohibited.

Annex II: Harmful organisms introduction of which is prohibited if they are present on certain plants and plant products

Annex III: Special requirements

Annex IV: Border inspection posts
Listed harmful organisms

108 more harmful organisms than EU and EPPO lists without PRA

After Twinning project, PRA process started and:
- 69 removed
- 25 full PRA
- 14 information needed
- Participation EPPO PRA Tools Panel
Plant Quarantine Implementation

Import inspections:

Application to Quarantine Service

- Document check
- Identity check
- Phytosanitary inspection (visual inspection and/or lab test)
- Notification of interception
- Exemptions (import of harmful organisms for scientific and trial purpose)
- Procedures for import are detailed in Inspector’s Manual (Vademecum)
- Export is made according to importing country’s requirements
Import Procedure of Plants and Plant Products

Document check, identity check

Phytosanitary inspection (visually)

Import Authorisation

Sampling

Rejection

Notification of Interception

Laboratory Analysis

Import Authorisation

Rejection

Notification of Interception
III. DOMESTIC CONTROL AND REGISTRATION
General Directorate of Protection and Control

- Agricultural Quarantine and Seed Service
- Plant Protection Service
- Pesticide and Equipment and Veterinary Medicine
- Feed and Food Registration Service
- Food Control Service
- Environment and Disaster Service
- Fisheries Service
- Animal Movement and Quarantine Service
- Animal Health Service
- Public Health Service
- Coordination Department for Foreign Affairs and European Union
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Plant Protection Research Institutes
Plant Protection Units (PPUs)

- 81 provinces
- Official surveys
- Registration
- Domestic quarantine inspections
- Certification field inspections
- Market controls
- Training
Registration

Producers growing propagation material for commercial purpose are subject to registration. Listed on commodity base.

- Application of producer
- Soil analysis
- Permit
- At least one inspection each growing season by PPU
- Delivery certificate
Plant Movement Certificate

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Plant Quarantine Movement and Selling Certificate

Plants and plant products indicated below belong to....................................................... inspected for the harmful organisms on ................................. and found free of harmful organisms practically and do not have risk for selling.

Signature and stamp

Name and quantity of plant or plant product :.................................................................
Name of producer :.................................................................
Destination :.................................................................
Name of inspector :.................................................................
Duty :.................................................................
### Official Survey Programs (Determined by MARA every year)

| 1. Mealybug (*Planococcus citri*)                                                                 | 9. Stem and bulb eelworm (*Ditylenchus dipsaci*) |
| 8. San Jose Scale (*Quadraspidiotus perniciosus*)                                                   |                                                  |
IV. HARMONIZATION
Law No. 6968 on Plant Protection and Plant Quarantine

- Under revision
- Articles added on plant passport and registration
- Import permit cancelled
- Definitions harmonized with EU
Implementing Regulation on Plant Quarantine

- 69 harmful organisms were decided to remove
- Article re-designed for non-listed harmful organisms
- PRA team is under establishment
- List of plants subject to phytosanitary certificate added
- Inspector manual (vademecum) prepared and delivered to all inspectors
- Notification of interception (94/3/EC)
Communiqués

- Control Measures of Potato Ring Rot Disease (93/57/EEC)
- Control Measures of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (98/57/EEC)
- Control Measures of Potato Wart Disease (69/464/EEC)
- Control Measures of Potato Cyst Nematodes (69/465/EEC)
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