

F. No.1-3/2019/DFSC-II/ Wheat Import


Islamabad the 12th February, 2020

NOTIFICATION

The Competent Authority is pleased to notify the decision of the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet in Case No. ECC-15/03/2020 dated 20-01-2020 and ratification of the Cabinet Division in Case No. 39/03/2020 dated 28-01-2020 regarding **import of wheat in the country.**

2. The ECC of the Cabinet considered the summary dated 17th January, 2020 submitted by the Ministry of National Food Security & Research regarding import of wheat in the country and decided as under:

- I. Allowed 0.30 million tons of wheat through private sector by withdrawing Regulatory Duty @ 60% to the extent of said quantity, on the import specification of wheat, notified in the Gazette of Pakistan on 14-11-2008. No import of wheat will be allowed after 31st March 2020, when domestic produce will be available.
- II. Directed Ministry of National Food Security & Research to suggest ways to remove other taxes on the import of wheat, in consultation with stakeholders and submit the report thereof, to the ECC for consideration.
- III. Department of Plant Protection will regulate the quantity and quality of wheat to be imported into the country through issuing the Sanitary/ Phytosanitary Certificate.
- IV. All relevant rules/regulations applicable on the import of wheat will be complied with.
- V. Directed Ministry of National Food Security & Research to have wheat stock released immediately from PASSCO and coordinate with Provincial Departments to ease the supply situation.


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