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GOI Regulates the Import of Equine Species into India

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Report Highlights:

On May 7, 2010, the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DAHD) of the Ministry of Agriculture, issued a final Gazette Notification on the import of equine species into India.

General Information:

Introduction: This report provides guidelines regulating the import of equine species into India (Notification No G.S.R. 389 (E), May 7, 2010, issued by the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF), Ministry of Agriculture).

The full text of the final rules and regulations can be accessed from the DADF website:
<http://www.dahd.nic.in/>

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Type of Regulation: Final

Details on the final notification:

- **GOI Official Gazette Notification Publication Date:** May 7, 2010
- **Effective Date:** With immediate effect
- **WTO Notification Date:** Not notified to the WTO (as of June 23, 2010).
- **Products/Affected:** Horses.

Agency in Charge: Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF), Ministry of Agriculture (MOA), Government of India (GOI).

Proposed Changes: The final notification describes the guidelines regulating the import of equine species into India. It provides information on the eligibility, identification, veterinary certificate (covering identification, origin, destination and sanitary information), and post-import quarantine needed for the import of equine species into India. The notification has revised previous guidelines, and as such India no longer requires testing for a number of conditions when the exporting country can include a country freedom statement for the particular disease.