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India Publishes Draft PQ Amendment for U.S. Walnuts

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Report Highlights:

The Government of India Ministry of Agriculture has released a draft notification amending Schedule VI of the Plant Quarantine Order 2003 (the regulation for importing plant material into India). The draft notification proposes phytosanitary import requirements for U.S. origin walnuts (*Juglans spp.*) into India, and comments are invited till December 16, 2012.

General Information:

The Government of India Ministry of Agriculture has released an amendment to the Plant Quarantine Order, 2003 (the regulation for the import of plant material into India). The draft notification seeks to amend Schedule VI of Plant Quarantine Order 2003, to include *Juglans spp.* (Walnut) as 'dry fruits for consumption' from United States of America, with phytosanitary import requirements with additional declaration and special conditions. The draft notification will facilitate imports of *Juglans spp.* (Walnuts) into India.

Details of Notification:

- **Type of Regulation:** Draft
- **Public Notice Date:** October 17, 2012
- **Final Date of Comments:** December 16, 2012
- **Proposed Date of Adoption:** Not Stated
- **WTO Notification Date:** October 17, 2012

The draft notification and further information can be accessed from the Ministry of Agriculture website at: <http://agricoop.nic.in/gazette/WTO9102012.pdf>

Products Affected: *Juglans spp.* (Walnuts)

Agency in Charge: Plant Quarantine Organization of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India.

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