

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agriculture and Cooperation Department – Herbicides – Glyphosate Formulations – Safe Guards for Agriculture, Horticulture, Aqua Culture, Human and Domestic Animals – Imposition of restrictions of usage – Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (AGRI.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 69

Dated: 09-02-2018.

Read :

From the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, letter No. Agcs-14030/16/2018-PP -AGRHOD dt:06.02.2018.

ORDER:

The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur in his letter in the reference read above, submitted that due to injudicious use of herbicides particularly in non-selective herbicides like Glyphosate in Agricultural and Horticultural ecosystems leads to serious implications in many cultivated crops in Andhra Pradesh. In addition, there is a necessity to conserve fresh water aquaculture with sustainability of the same without losing any exportable production. In the above circumstances the special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur requested the Government to issue necessary orders for restrictive usage of herbicides in Agriculture and Horticultural ecosystems to curb the menace of excessive & unapproved use of herbicides in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

2. The Government after careful examination, hereby issue orders on the following:

- A. Herbicides like Glyphosate 20.2% SL IPA salt, Glyphosate 41% SL IPA Salt, Glyphosate 54% SL (IPA Salt), Glyphosate Ammonium Salt 5% SL and Glyphosate 71% SG (Ammonium Salt) should not be used in any of the crops from June to November months as there is no approval for any of the above Glyphosate formulations from Central Insecticide Board & Registration Committee (CIB & RC), Government of India. CIB & RC approval is mandatory to recommend/ procure/ store/ use any Agro chemical, as per the Insecticide Act, 1968.
- B. Farmers are permitted to use above herbicides in non cropped areas or during the months of December to May only with the specific recommendations by authorized personnel. Farmers should apply any herbicide at recommended doses duly ensuring the approval from (CIB & RC), Government of India, so as to ensure minimal exposure to humans and domestic animals including other Non Target Organisms (NTOs).
- C. All the retailers in Andhra Pradesh should sell only the recommended quantity of herbicide to be used during non – crop growth season in non cropped areas. Farmers should be discouraged towards cultivation of un-approved Herbicides Tolerant Crop varieties to prevent the excess usage of particular non selective herbicides like Glyphosate is illegal in any cropped area and also during crop growthseason.

3. The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur shall take further action.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (AGRI) (FAC)

To
The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER