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Report Name: Turkey Bans the Import and Production of Sixteen Active Substances

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Report Highlights:

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry announced that production and import of 16 active substances which are used in production of plant protection products has been banned over a transitional period.

General Information:

On June 10th, 2020 Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MinAF) announced via its website that:

- The import, production and marketing of 16 active substances which are used in the production of plant protection products, are banned over a transitional period. The names of the active substances and cut off dates for their importation, production, and removal from the market are given in the table below.

-New application dossiers of plant protection products which contain these active substances will not be accepted by MinAF and those which are pending will be cancelled.

-Plant protection products containing these active substances which have been marketed will be withdrawn and destroyed in line with the timelines specified by MinAF in the table below.

MinAF stated that these active substances are banned in line with European Union (EU) harmonization and also for the following reasons:

-Adverse effects to the environment and humans: for being genotoxic, neurotoxic, carcinogenic, toxic for fertility, endocrine disrupting effects, leaving residues in soil; polluting underground water via their metabolites, and being a risk to bees, fish, and mammals,

-High risks for people who apply these products,

-Insufficient toxicological and eco toxicological studies,

-Lack of demand and scientific support of production companies for these substances,

-Receiving a high amount of pesticide residue alert notifications from the EU related to these active substances which create serious problems in the export of fresh fruits and vegetables to the EU,

-The existence of alternative active substances which have the same effect as the banned active substances for the same usages.

The announcement can be accessed at the link <https://bku.tarim.gov.tr/Duyuru/DuyuruDetay/55> in the Turkish language.

List of banned active substances, cut-off dates for import, production and withdrawal

No	Name of Active Substance	Cut-off date for Import	Cut-off date for Production	Deadline for Withdrawal from Market
1	Chlorpyrifos Ethyl	-	-	5/21/2020
2	Difenacoum	6/30/2020	7/31/2020	12/31/2020
3	Aminotriazole	6/30/2020	7/31/2020	12/31/2020
4	Orthosulfamuron	6/30/2020	7/31/2020	12/31/2020
5	Fenpropimorph	6/30/2020	7/31/2020	12/31/2020
6	Fenamidone	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
7	Maneb	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
8	Triadimenol	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
9	Molinate	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
10	Bifenthrin	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
11	Fenbutatin Oxide	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
12	Cyfluthrin	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
13	Methomyl	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	9/30/2021
14	Pymetrozine	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	12/31/2021
15	Methhiocarb	8/31/2020	10/15/2020	12/31/2021
16	Chlorothalonil	12/31/2020	2/15/2021	12/31/2021

Attachments:

No Attachments.