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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Agriculture, DAC.**  
**(Oilseeds Division)**

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To

**The Agriculture Production Commissioner/ Principal Secretary / Secretary (Agriculture), Governments of A P, Ar. Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, J & K, Jharkhand, Karnataka, M P, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya , Nagaland, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, T N, Telangana, Tripura, U P, Uttarakhand & W B.**

Subject:- Relaxation of age limit of varieties/hybrids of Oilseeds under NMOOP during 2015-16-regarding

Sir,

I am directed to state that many states have indicated inadequate availability of seeds of varieties/ hybrids of oilseeds released within 10 years for seeds production and distribution components under NMOOP during 2015-16.

In view of the above, it has been decided by the competent authority that the age limit of varieties/ hybrids is relaxed up to 15 years under seed production and distribution component of NMOOP. The age limit of 15 years will also be applicable under cluster demonstration for which no age limit was prescribed earlier. However, under FLDs, varieties/ hybrids, which are less than 5 year old may be encouraged and under any circumstances varieties/ hybrids more than 10 years old shall not be allowed. In case of seed minikits, production and distribution subsidy for central seed producing agencies, age limit will remain up to 10 years. This relaxation will be valid only for 2015-16.

Yours faithfully,



(Dr. Anupam Barik)

Addl. Commissioner (Oilseeds)

Copy to:

1. The Commissioner/ Director of Agriculture/ State Mission Director (NMOOP) of All the States mentioned above;
2. CMD/MD of all Central Seed Producing Agencies;
3. Director, Indian Institute of Oilseed Research, Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad-500030.
4. Director, Directorate of R & M Research, Sewar Bharatpur-321303.
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6. Director, Directorate of Soybean Research, Khandwa Road, Indore, MP-452001.
7. PPS to Secretary (A&C), DAC;
8. PPS to Agriculture Commissioner, DAC, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
9. PPS to JS (Crops)/OS, DAC, for inclusion in Monthly D.O to Cabinet.
10. Joint Secretary (DM), DAC, for inclusion in action taken report on addressing failure of monsoon;
11. Joint Secretary (Seeds), DAC;
12. Director(Crops)/ ADC (M)/ Director (OS), DAC;
13. All Commodity Development Directorates;
14. ADC(OS),DD(OS),AD(CA),AD(OS),AD(OP),Consultants(J), Consultant (M) and Programmer.