**EXPORT INSPECTION COUNCIL/EXPORT INSPECTION AGENCIES**

Who They Are

The Export Inspection Council (EIC) is the official export –certification body of India which ensures quality and safety of products exported from India. EIC was set up by the Government of India to ensure sound development of export trade of India through quality control and inspection and matters connected therewith. The role of EIC is to ensure that products notified under the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Act 1963 are meeting the requirements of the importing countries in respect of their quality and safety. ( www.commerce.gov.in)

**What They Do**

**Certificate of Origin**

* The Certificate of Origin (COO) is a special document which provides the information such as the country of the origin of the goods; that is the place where goods have been manufactured or produced. It is an affidavit attached to the commercial invoice. The COO is generated for each item in the parcel.
* Certificate of Origin is also issued by various organizations such as Chambers of Commerce, FIEO, APEDA, etc.

**Health Certificate**

* Several importing countries such as EU have enforced requirement of Health Certificate in certain fruits and vegetables and other products such as Curry Leaves, Green Chillies, Peanuts and Peanut Products, Sesame Seeds, etc. Export Inspection Agencies (EIAs) issues the Health Certificate based on analysis certificate of the products. EIAs also issue authenticity certificate for export of Basmati Rice to EU.
* In case of Spices, Spices Board of India and in case of Betel Leaves, other forest produce and botanicals SHEFEXIL, Kolkata issues Health Certificate for exports to EU based on analysis certificate of the products.

**Fit for consumption Certificate**

Some importing countries require certificates such as fit for consumption along with laboratory test reports. The approved laboratories issue this certificate based on qualifying analysis results as per importing country’s requirements.

Always visit the relevant websites and contact the offices for correct and latest information

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