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## CIRCULAR

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**Dear Esteemed Operator,**

**Subject: Urgent & Mandatory – Completion of 100% Farmer Verification for Continuation of Third-Party Certification Activities under NPOP**

Greetings from **Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd.**

This communication is in continuation of our earlier advisories regarding the **mandatory requirement of 100% farmer verification of Grower Groups**, as directed by **APEDA under the NPOP Standards**.

We wish to emphasize that **100% farmer verification is a regulatory obligation**, and its timely completion requires **coordinated and proactive efforts from both the Grower Group/ICS and the Certification Body**. We sincerely appreciate the steps already initiated by several operators in this regard.

To ensure full compliance with APEDA's directive and to adhere to the **stipulated timeline of three (3) months**, kindly note that **Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd. will be in a position to undertake the following certification activities only after completion of 100% farmer verification in the Tracenet system:**

- **Closure of stock in Tracenet** – applicable only to those farmers whose verification has been completed
- **Issuance of Transaction Certificates (TCs)** – strictly for products procured from verified farmers' stock reflected in Tracenet
- **Conduct of external inspections/annual follow-up inspections** – limited only to those farmers and fields where farmer verification has been duly completed and updated in Tracenet

This requirement is **non-negotiable** and is critical to ensure continued compliance with the NPOP framework and APEDA's regulatory oversight.

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Further, we wish to inform you that **Inspection and Certification Planning for the year 2026** will be undertaken **only for those ICSs that have completed at least 30–50 farmer verifications in the Tracenet system** as an initial threshold.

In the absence of demonstrable progress towards this requirement, **Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd. shall be constrained to take appropriate actions**, which may include:

- **Suspension of certification activities, or**
- **Withdrawal of certification, or**
- **Termination of the certification contract, as applicable and in line with NPOP procedures.**

We earnestly request your **full cooperation, timely action, and leadership at the ICS level** to complete farmer verification within the prescribed timeline and avoid any disruption to certification continuity.

Should you require any clarification, guidance, or technical support, our team remains available to assist you.

We value our association with you and look forward to your proactive support in meeting this important regulatory requirement.

With warm regards,  
For Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd.

For ADITI ORGANIC CERTIFICATIONS PVT. LTD.

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