



Bengaluru
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CIRCULAR

Subject: FINAL NOTICE – Mandatory Initiation and Completion of 100% Farmer Verification for Continuation of Third-Party Certification under NPOP

Ref No.: **ADITI/HO/2026/Circular/004**

Dear Certified Operator,

Greetings from Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd.

This communication is issued in continuation of our earlier circulars:

- **ADITI/HO/2025/Circular/014 dated 03/11/2025**
- **ADITI/HO/2025/Circular/016 dated 18/12/2025**
- **ADITI/HO/2025/Circular/017 dated 29/12/2025**
- **ADITI/HO/2026/Circular/001 dated 08/01/2026**
- **ADITI/HO/2026/Circular/003 dated 11/02/2026**

regarding the **mandatory initiation and completion of 100% farmer verification** under the NPOP third-party certification framework.

Despite repeated reminders, it has been observed that certain grower groups/operators have **not initiated the farmer verification process**.

Please note that:

- 100% farmer verification is a **regulatory requirement under NPOP guidelines**.
- Non-compliance exposes both the Operator and the Certification Body **to regulatory action, including penalties and suspension directives from APEDA**.
- As a Certification Body, we are obligated to strictly comply with regulatory directions and cannot assume liability for non-compliance by Operators.

Final Compliance Deadline

You are hereby instructed to:

- **Initiate the farmer verification process on or before Monday, 23/02/2026, and**
- **Ensure 100% completion within the timeframe prescribed by APEDA/NPOP.**

Consequences of Non-Compliance

Failure to comply within the stipulated timeline will result in immediate regulatory action without further notice, which may include:

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- Suspension of certification activities
- Termination of certification contract
- Withholding of Transaction Certificates
- Initiation of NOC-Out process, subject to completion of mandatory verification requirements

Please be informed that **no additional extension will be granted**, as any delay may result in penalties and adverse action from the regulatory authority.

Further, Operators opting for **NOC-Out** must first ensure completion of mandatory farmer verification requirements as per regulatory norms before issuance of NOC.

We strongly urge you to treat this matter with **highest priority and urgency** to ensure uninterrupted validity of your certification.

We value our professional association and expect your immediate action to maintain regulatory compliance.

With regards,

For Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd.

For **ADITI ORGANIC CERTIFICATIONS PVT. LTD.**

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