



## BIS Update: Extension of Mandatory Certification for certain Chemical Products

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Dear Reader,

We are writing to you with an important update regarding mandatory registration requirements applicable to imports of **Lauric Acid, Acid Oil, Palm Fatty Acids, Rice Bran Fatty Acids, Coconut Fatty Acids, Hydrogenated Rice Bran Fatty Acids, Methylene Chloride (Dichloromethane)** into India.

### Background

The Government of India has on April 24, 2023 extended the date of enforcement of the existing Quality Control Order for **Lauric Acid, Acid Oil, Palm Fatty Acids, Rice Bran Fatty Acids, Coconut Fatty Acids, Hydrogenated Rice Bran Fatty Acids, Methylene Chloride (Dichloromethane)**. Producers of this product will now have additional time to obtain BIS certification for their products. The relevant order is available [here](#).

### Products concerned

The date of entry into force of the existing Quality Control Order for the following chemical has been extended:

Product	Date of Entry into force
Lauric Acid	October 24, 2023
Acid Oil	October 24, 2023
Palm Fatty Acids	October 24, 2023
Rice Bran Fatty Acids	October 24, 2023
Coconut Fatty Acids	October 24, 2023
Hydrogenated Rice Bran Fatty Acids	October 24, 2023
Methylene Chloride (Dichloromethane)	November 20, 2023

 [For a master list of all products under mandatory BIS certification, please click here.](#)

### Next Steps

As per the notifications, producers of these chemicals will now have additional time to secure BIS certification before these Orders come into force. Once these Orders come into force, both domestic and foreign manufacturers of these products will only be able to export/sell in India with a valid BIS license in place.

To obtain such license, both foreign producers and domestic manufacturers of these products would need to submit an application to the BIS seeking certification. Furthermore, the process of certification will also require physical testing and inspection of the relevant chemicals at the factory premises as well as parallel testing by a BIS authorised laboratory in India to verify the same. BIS certification is a time-consuming process and therefore it is recommended that interested producers make applications for certification at the earliest in cases wherein Quality Control Orders have been issued and are pending enforcement.

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