APPENDIX – 1C STREAMLINING OF PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE EXPORT OF PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE

APEDA has been entrusted with accreditation to functions as Single Window for clearance of perishable produce. The coordination is required for Single Window Clearance of regulatory agencies (performing Core functions), other regulatory agencies (performing non Core functions), shipping agencies (performing through self declaration) and regulatory agencies like APEDA. Agmark, EIC and DGFT.

APEDA was also authorized:-

- a) To regulate services, charges and fix terms and conditions to exporters of perishable agricultural produce.
- b) Prescribe criteria for accreditation of Nodal Agencies
- c) Accreditation, renewal, modification, suspension or cancellation for such agencies
- d) Levy of charges for carrying out activities
- e) Calling for information, undertaking inspection, conducting enquiries and investigation including audit
- f) Specifying forms and manner and which books of account to be maintained
- g) Application of information technology towards seamless and paperless once stop export certification services
- h) Providing advisory services to exporters

APEDA is functioning as Single Window Clearance for export of grapes to EU vide DGFT Notification. All the stakeholders' labs, NRC for referral, Agmark for standards and Department of Plant Protection (NPPO) are inter link through a Single Window for exports certification, testing and issuance of Phyto-sanitary Certificate (PQMS).

APEDA is also maintaining similar Single Window Clearance for other agricultural and livestock products like peanut (Peanut.Net), buffalo and sheep goat meat (Meat.Net) and organic products (TraceNet).

In view of the above, exporters are facilitated for issuance of Registration cum membership certificate RCMC (integrated with DGFT) and export of perishable commodities grapes, peanut, meat and organic products so far. The integration of all other perishable commodities is being worked upon in association with stakeholders and industries, exporters and as per regulation of importing countries.