COASTAL AQUACULTURE AUTHORITY

Import of SPF Broodstock of L. vannamei by shrimp hatcheries

Permission for importing SPF broodstock of *L. vannamei* shall be granted by the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) to the eligible applicants operating shrimp hatcheries with strict bio-security control as detailed in the **Guidelines** for hatcheries rearing SPF *L. vannamei* as brought out in the website of the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (www.dand.nic.in.). The hatchery operators are required to import broodstock only from the approved SPF *L. vannamei* suppliers whose list would be made public shortly. The hatchery owners interested to import broodstock and produce SPF *L. vannamei* and *Nauplii*, who fulfill the conditions laid down in the Guidelines, may apply to the CAA in the prescribed **format** attached.

All imports of *L. vannamei* broodstock shall have to undergo strict quarantine procedure as laid down in the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries) vide Notification dated 15th October, 2008. The quarantine facility will be located at RGCA's facility at Neelankarai, Chennai operated by MPEDA with support from NFDB. Appropriate user charge/fee will be levied on the quarantine.

Member Secretary, CAA