



Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security

PRESS COMMUNIQUE

Registration of Agricultural Laboratories

The public is hereby informed that, in accordance with the Agricultural Chemists Act 1979, any person who wishes to register a laboratory as an approved laboratory shall make an application in writing to the Committee set up under the Act.

2. The laboratory should have the necessary facilities for the analysis of:-
 - (a) agricultural products and by-products; and
 - (b) substances used in agriculture or in any industry dealing with agricultural products.
3. In case the application is considered favourably by the Committee, a certificate will be issued to the applicant on payment of the prescribed fee. The certificate will be initially valid for a period of one year and may be renewed.
4. The attention of the public is drawn to the fact that any registered Agricultural Chemist, who carries out analysis of any product or substance as specified at paragraph 2 above, in a non-approved laboratory, **shall commit an offence.**
5. Applications for registration of Agricultural Laboratories should be forwarded, to the **Director, Agricultural Services, Réduit**, who is also the Chairperson of the Committee for the Registration of Agricultural Chemists and Laboratories, at **latest by 15th March 2023.**

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