

COASTAL AQUACULTURE AUTHORITY

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Attention: Import of SPF broodstock of *Litopenaeus vannamei* by shrimp hatchery operators

Permission for importing SPF broodstock of *L. vannamei* shall be granted by the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA) to eligible applicants operating shrimp hatcheries in the country with strict bio-security control as detailed in the guidelines of the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (www.dand.nic.in) and reproduced in the website of the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (www.caa.gov.in). Interested hatchery operators who have registered their hatcheries with Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) and approved by CAA may apply to the CAA in the prescribed format for import of broodstock from the approved list of suppliers available in the website of CAA. A processing fee of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) per annum to be paid through demand draft drawn from any nationalized bank in favour of the **Coastal Aquaculture Authority** payable at Chennai shall accompany the application. Approval of the facility for rearing SPF *L. vannamei* shall be granted by CAA only after due inspection of the facility. After the approval of the CAA, the hatchery operators are required to obtain the [Sanitary Import Permit \(SIP\)](#) from the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries before importing the broodstock. All imports of SPF *L. vannamei* broodstock shall have to undergo strict quarantine procedures at the quarantine facility located at the Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Aquaculture (RGCA) facility at Neelankarai, Chennai to be operated by MPEDA and in accordance with the guidelines brought out in the Notification of DAHD&F, available in the website of CAA.

Applications received upto 20th January, 2009 shall be processed for shortlisting by CAA for issue of permit initially.

(Dr. R. Paul Raj)
Member Secretary.