Thailand Experiences on Pest Risk Management to Facilitate Trade

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How to facilitate trade
- Import
- Export

Laws/Regulations
- Legislation
- Administration

as a member of IPPC and SPS/TBT -WTO

NPPO => Department of Agriculture (DOA)
IPPC Contact Point & SPS & TBT (food and agricultural products) Enquiry Point
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Plant Quarantine Act B.E. 2507 (A.D. 1964) and its Amendments of 1999 and 2008

There are 2 main parts:

Export procedure to ensure exporting plants and plant products complying with trading partner’s requirements.

Import requirement for importing plants and plant products from exporting countries to safeguard Thailand agriculture to be free from plants or pests of concern.

Section 4: 3 categories of Plants/Pests/Carriers List

- Prohibited article
- Restricted article
- Unprohibited article

Pest Risk Analysis

2 Ministerial Notification of Department of Agriculture

Re: Criteria, procedures and conditions for the importation or in transit of prohibited, restricted and unprohibited article B.E. 2551 (A.D. 2008)
Management for Importation of Plant Produce and Products into Thailand

The value of imported fresh apples and kiwis from France to Thailand from 2012 - 2021

- 27.9 (CIF Million USD) - Apples
- 5.9 (CIF Million USD) - Kiwis

Source: http://www.customs.go.th

Importation of prohibited articles for commercial purpose:

- Notification of Department of Agriculture Re: Conditions for Import of Apple Fruit from France B.E. 2563 (2020)
- Notification of Department of Agriculture Re: Conditions for Import of Kiwi Fruit from France B.E. 2555 (2012)

Challenges:

- biology of pests
- pest distribution data
- treatment

Lack of database on: [Image]
Export

"One commodity, Many types of treatment."

- Vapor Heat Treatment (VHT)
- Irradiation
- Hot water immersion

"One size does not fit all."
Agricultural and Food: **Import & Export**


**Value in billion U.S. dollars**

- **2018:**
  - Export: 4.9
  - Import: 2.2

- **2019:**
  - Export: 4.5
  - Import: 2.2

- **2020:**
  - Export: 4.4
  - Import: 2.6

- **2021:**
  - Export: 4.7
  - Import: 2.6

**Exchange Rate:** 38 Baht/US Dollar
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