



Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security

PRESS COMMUNIQUE

Registration of Agricultural Chemists

The public is hereby informed that, in accordance with the Agricultural Chemists Act 1979, any person who:

- (a) (i) holds from a recognized university or institution, a degree or diploma in natural or agricultural science with chemistry or agricultural chemistry as the main subject or one of the main subjects in which he has qualified at the final examination for such diploma; and
- (ii) has worked for a minimum of one year in an approved laboratory under the supervision of a registered Agricultural Chemist; or
- (b) holds the licentiate, membership or fellowship, of the Royal Society of Chemistry, may apply to the Committee set up under the Act for registration as an Agricultural Chemist.

2. In case the application is considered favourably by the Committee, the applicant will be registered as an Agricultural Chemist on payment of the prescribed fee. The registration will be initially valid for a period of five years and may be renewed.

3. The attention of the public is drawn on the following:

Any person who is not a registered Agricultural Chemist but who carries out analysis of:

- (a) any agricultural product or by-product; or
- (b) any substance used in agriculture or in any industry dealing with agricultural products **shall commit an offence.**

4. Applications for registration of Agricultural Chemist 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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