

# BEWARE

## Selling unregistered biopesticides is illegal and punishable under Insecticides Act and Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.



- ★ Sale of unregistered and illegal biopesticides present significant and often irreversible risks to human health, safety and environment.
- ★ Unregistered biopesticides mostly carry a cocktail of undisclosed chemical pesticides.
- ★ Unregistered/illegal biopesticides do not carry the CIB&RC registration number and the manufacturing license number on their retail pack.
- ★ The Insecticides Act requires wholesale and retail dealers to hold a valid license by way of **Form VIII** issued by a designated Licensing Officer, appointed by the State Agriculture Department for buying, stocking, exhibiting or selling all pesticides including biopesticides.
- ★ **Section 18** of the Insecticides Act, 1968 prohibits the sale, stock, exhibition for sale, distribution, transport, or use of unregistered biopesticides pesticides.



- ★ Selling biopesticides that are not included in **Form VIII** would result in contravention of the license conditions, an offense under **Section 29 of the Insecticides Act**, leading to penalties, including fines and potential imprisonment.



In addition to action under the Insecticides Act, the following Sections of the **Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023, previously Indian Penal Code (IPC)**, may be used against those involved in manufacture, supply and sale of unregistered biopesticides:

1. **Section 61 (Criminal Conspiracy):** This can be used when two or more persons agree to perform an illegal act of manufacturing/selling unregistered biopesticides.
2. **Section 270 (Public Nuisance):** This can be used when the unregistered biopesticide causes widespread harm or danger to the public/environment.
3. **Section 318 (2) (Cheating and Dishonestly Inducing Delivery of Property):** This can be used against manufacturers and dealers for deceiving farmers into buying unregistered and illegal biopesticides.



**Crop Care Federation of India**

CCFI is committed to take all possible efforts to ensure that illegal and unregistered biopesticides are lawfully removed from the market.

We solicit your active co-operation in our effort.

**In crop protection business, ethics and integrity are important.**

