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Kazakhstan



Customs Union has approved the amount of quotas for meat imports in 2011

The Customs Union Commission has approved volumes of quotas for 2011 by the Decision No.505 as of November 18, 2010.

The Decision was posted on December 15, 2010 on the official website of Customs Union.

Thus, volumes of quotas for import of poultry meat in 2011 are as follows:

Kazakhstan - 110,000 MT;
Russia - 350,000 MT;
Belarus - 15,000 MT.

The Commission has decided that quotas do not apply to products of the CIS countries.

Quotas will be allocated in accordance with the laws of the Customs Union Members.

The Decision comes into force on the date of publication.

USAPEEC CAEE note:

Kazakhstan has set the same amount of quota for imports of poultry for 2010. Around 88 percent of it or 96,450 MT were allocated for U.S. poultry.

Poultry meat consumption in Kazakhstan amounts to 200,000-220,000 MT, according to Kazakhstan Poultry Producing Union. While domestic production will make up 100,000 MT in 2010.

Source: The official website of Customs Union (www.tsouz.ru)

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Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan will join the WTO separately

According to the President of Russia, Dmitriy Medvedev, Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan, members of Customs Union, will join the WTO separately.

While earlier, at the end of November, Prime Minister of Kazakhstan, Karim Masimov, informed that Kazakhstan is going to join the World Trade Organization simultaneously with Russia.

Kazakhstan plans to join the World Trade Organization in 2012.

Kazakhstan's Working Party on WTO accession was established on February 6, 1996.

*Sources: Federal Press Information Agency (www.fedpress.ru;) Kazakhstan Today Information Agency (www.kt.kz)
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In 2012 poultry imports into Kazakhstan will decrease by 30 percent



According to the Managing Director of the National Holding "KazAgro", Nurlybek Malelov, in 2012 poultry imports into Kazakhstan will decrease by 30 percent.

He said that implementation of an investment program for high-tech projects will help reduce imports in the domestic market and make it possible to start exports in the future.

The first project will be launched at the end of December 2010 in South Kazakhstan region: LLP "Ordabasy" will produce 4,800 MT of turkey meat per year.

"KazAgro" has also approved the construction of another six facilities with production capacity of 40,000 MT per year. Thus, total volume of investments in the poultry industry amounts to USD 101 million.

Source: ProFinance News Service (www.profinance.kz); Translated by: usapeec.kz

Local poultry producers require to increase subsidies

The Director of Social Entrepreneurial Corporation (Kostanai region), Konstanatin Myakotin, appealed to the Minister of Agriculture of Kazakhstan, Akhylbek Kurishbaev, with a request to support poultry producers.

He said that in recent years the poultry farming is the fastest growing one among other agricultural industries in Kazakhstan. During the past 3-4 years the production volumes of meat and eggs have doubled. The number of poultry plants has increased twice. This is mainly due to the state subsidy program aimed at increasing productivity and quality of livestock products. However, despite the increase in production volumes, the amount of subsidies remained unchanged, and this led to the decrease in subsidies by 2.5-3 times in the year 2010. This fact is affecting the development of the industry.

K. Myakotin noted that the creation of Customs Union is also affecting the industry, because due to this fact imports of poultry meat have increased significantly. In particular, poultry meat from Russia is imported at dumping prices.

He also drew attention to the fact that this year is a very difficult one for the industry, because of the lack of cornmeal. Due to the drought a sharp rise in grain prices has taken place. The Union of Poultry Producers of Kazakhstan has repeatedly raised the issue about the formation of feed stock via JSC "Prodcorporation", but no actions were taken.

"Please assist to form feed stock and to double the amount of subsidies for the poultry industry in order to support and develop the industry", K. Myakotin concluded.

*Source: Kazakh-Zerno Information Agency (www.kazakh-zerno.kz)
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Smart collaboration for Ust-Kamenogorskaya Ptitse Fabrika

New collaborations continue to develop for Pas Reform in Central Asia and Eastern Europe, most recently with Ust-Kamenogorskaya Ptitse Fabrika (UKPF) in Kazakhstan.

As a fully integrated poultry business, UKPF is the only chilled chicken meat producer in the country. The company has commissioned Pas Reform to install Smart incubators, hatchery automation and climate control systems, as part of an expansion programme that will increase UKPF's production to 16,000 MT at per annum. Pas Reform Academy will further support the poultry producer with a programme of hatchery management training services. Expanding production and improving standards, is, says Timur Kozhakhmetov, General Director of UKPF, fundamental to greater efficiency and productivity for the future.

He said: "Our partnership with Pas Reform is very important for us. As we continue to expand operations and improve production standards, our investment in Smart incubation technologies and technical back up is entirely focused on improving production, performance and standards."

"Domestic demand for our products grows year on year. Increased capacity will reduce Kazakhstan's dependence on imports."

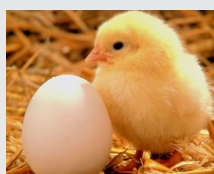
UKPF is a vertically integrated facility that produces, markets and distributes a wide range of chicken products, including frozen and cooled chicken, chicken sausages and smoked chicken. As a vertically integrated company, UKPF incorporates breeding facilities, a hatchery, broiler houses, feed milling and broiler processing facilities. Established in 1976 as a state poultry farm, UKPF was privatised in 1997 and has since developed into one of the country's leading poultry companies, with more than a 35 percent share of the Kazakhstan poultry market, UKPF serves the remote NorthEast, as well as Almaty and Astana, with marginal exports sales to Kyrgyzstan.



"UKPF's forward-looking strategy is built around a strong ethic for safe, affordable, high quality products for the consumer," added Pas Reform's Sales Director, Michaël Kampschöer. "Pas Reform looks forward to a continuing collaboration with UKPF, as the company realises its potential to supply growing home market demand."

Source: *The Poultry Site News Service*
(www.thepoultrysite.com)

Maykudukskaya poultry plant increases the production capacity several times after reconstruction



According to the Executive Director of Maykudukskaya poultry plant, Zauresh Mussina, the reconstruction of this plant, one of the largest poultry farms located in Karaganda region, has been completed.

The project costs about USD 13.6 million and it was funded by the Development Bank of Kazakhstan.

Zauresh Mussina said that due to this project the productivity will increase several times.

Thus, after the reconstruction poultry plant will produce over 100 million eggs per year. In addition, this plant produces egg powder and poultry meat.

Source: *KazInform Information Agency*
(www.inform.kz)

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Chief Veterinarians of Russia, Kazakhstan and Belarus discussed a system of registration of foreign companies eligible to supply controlled products to the Customs Union

Head of Russian VPSS, Sergei Dankvert and Chief Veterinarians of Russia Nikolai Vlasov, Belarus - Yuri Pyvovarchyk and Kazakhstan - Saktash Khassenov met in Moscow, Russia on December 7, 2010.

One of the main issues which was discussed at the meeting, was creation of the unified system of registration of foreign companies eligible to supply controlled products to the Customs Union's (CU) market. The Sides agreed to use as a base the eligible lists of companies that had the right to supply products to Russia and Belarus before the launch of CU (until July 1, 2010). The additional company can be included into the List depending on the results of joint inspections conducted by the experts from the national veterinary services of the Customs Union countries and on the initiative of any of the country. At the same time the veterinary service of any country-member can refuse to participate in the inspection, delegating its right for conducting the inspection to other CU countries. Besides, additional enterprises can be included in the list based on the guarantees from the veterinary service of the supplying country and upon approval from CU countries veterinary services.



Despite the fact that the Chief Veterinarian of Ukraine Ivan Bisyuk could not attend the meeting, the sides noted the importance of Ukrainian participation in the formation of a unified veterinary space within Customs Union. In this regard, the sides found it reasonable if Ukraine joins integrated information systems "Argus" and "Mercury", set up by Russian VPSS. The issues of the increase of control over the supplies of controlled goods to the territory of CU countries will be discussed during international agricultural exhibition "Green Week" in Berlin, which is scheduled for the third decade of January 2011. In addition, during "Green Week" negotiations between the Heads of Veterinary Services of Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan in conjunction with Union of exporters and importers and the Head of EU directorate Paola Testori Coggi will be held.

It is planned to discuss how to increase the control over the goods delivered from the EU countries to the territory of Customs Union, as well as how to create conditions to supply products from CU to the European Union.

Source: The official website of Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance of Russia (www.fsvps.ru)

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During the meeting the sides decided to approve the Plan on joint inspections in 2011. And to post it on the Russian VPSS website, until the official website of CU Commission will be finally formed. This Plan will specify the sides participating in the inspection (the side initiating the inspection in particular country and national veterinary services).

The sides discussed the importance of work of the national veterinary services of the Customs Union countries with the trade and professional unions and associations. In particular, this is due to the fact that many of the countries-suppliers are trying to include into the eligible List of CU as many companies as possible, including those companies that do not have specific plans for such supplies. In this regard, it is decided to include into the eligible list only those companies that are important for businesses of CU.

In addition, the sides discussed the development of the new certificate for composite products that contain ingredients subject to state veterinary control. The Heads of the veterinary services of the Customs Union have agreed that such ingredients must be produced at the enterprises listed in the official List of suppliers. The same principle is stipulated by the European Union legislation.

Russian VPSS asks Veterinary Services of Belarus and Kazakhstan to accredit Ukrainian companies

Deputy Head of Rosselkhoznadzor, Chief Veterinarian of Russia, Nikolai Vlasov, informed the Chief Veterinarians of Belarus, Yuri Pyvovarchyk and Kazakhstan, Saktash Khassenov that Rosselkhoznadzor received a letter from the Chairman of the State Veterinary Medicine Committee of Ukraine Ivan Bisyuk in which he asks to include the following Ukrainian companies into the list of companies eligible to export to Russia:

- 4 meat-processing plants: poultry processing plant LLC "Complex Agromars" (Kiev region), "Kozyatinsky meat processing plant" (Vinnytsia region), LLC "Spartac" (Volyn region), JSC "Agoproduct" (Ternopil region) and LLC "Priluki-Agropererobka" (Chernihiv region);

- 6 dairy companies: LLC “Kryzhopolsky-cheese plant” (Vinnitsa region), LLC Belotserkovsky dairy plant” (Kiev region), LLC Tehmolprom (Poltava region), “Globinsky Creamery” (Poltava region), JSC “Lozovsky dairy plant” (Kharkiv region), “Velikoburlutsky cheese plant” (Kharkiv region).

Rosselkhoznadzor suggests including them into the list of companies that are eligible to supply products to the Customs Union since the State Veterinary Medicine Committee of Ukraine ensures that the abovementioned companies were inspected by the State Veterinary Service of Ukraine and comply with unified veterinary requirements of Customs Union. Rosselkhoznadzor also suggests scheduling a joint inspection of these enterprises in the first half of 2011.

Source: The official website of Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance of Russia (www.fsvps.ru)
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Common Economic Space will start operating beginning January 1, 2012

According to the Declaration adopted following the meeting of the Supreme Authority of the Customs Union (CU), Common Economic Space (CES) within Customs Union will start operating beginning January 1, 2012.

Thus, the Heads of Russia, Kazakhstan and Belarus informed that on December 9, 2010 they have completed the formation of regulatory framework of CES. Also they have confirmed that Common Economic Space will start operating properly beginning January 1, 2012.

“Customs Union and CES are open to other countries. By expanding and developing CES, we are moving towards the creation of Eurasian Economic Union,” the Declaration reads.

Source: Interfax-Zapad Information Agency (www.interfax.by)
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Kyrgyzstan



U.S. will help to develop poultry industry of Kyrgyzstan

Starting in December 2, 2010, the U.S. Government launches a new program to support farmers of Kyrgyzstan. The Kyrgyz Project of Supplies and Agribusiness Development which is funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) will enter into partnership with LLC “Agro Oasis”.

This program is developed to facilitate feed industry that in turn will favor the development of Kyrgyz poultry industry.

This partnership will provide training seminars to private farmers and access to key resources in the area of feed production and poultry farming, in order to encourage the expansion of soybean planting, increase of production of high quality edible oil and increase of domestic production of eggs. According to the U.S. Embassy in Kyrgyzstan, these activities will provide poultry producers with greater access to good quality forage, as well as create new working places in southern Kyrgyzstan.

LLC “Agro Oasis” - is a private company based in Osh (Kyrgyzstan region). The company produces high quality forage for birds. This public-private partnership established between LLC “Agro Oasis” and the Kyrgyz project for the development of agricultural industry will be implemented by the International Centre for Soil Fertility and Agriculture (IFDC). This project will stimulate increase of domestic investments by private companies in the development of forage production in Kyrgyzstan.

The Kyrgyz project carries out its activities in the Kyrgyz Republic since 2001 and aimed at stimulating the development of the agricultural sector of Kyrgyzstan.

Source: Furazh News Service (www.furazh.ru)
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The volume of meat production has increased by 1.7 percent over 11 months of 2010



According to the Ministry of Agriculture of the Kyrgyz Republic, during 11 months of 2010 Kyrgyzstan has produced 310,200 MT of meat in live weight, which is 5,300 MT (or 1.7 percent) more compared to the same period last year.

The Ministry of Agriculture noted that the increase in meat production was mainly due to increase in number of cattle by 53,500 heads, sheep and goats – by 312,800 heads, horses - 10,500 heads and poultry – by 170,900 heads. By the end of 2010 the country will produce 343,630 MT of meat in live weight, that is 102 percent higher compared to production volumes of last year. They also said that in 2011 local meat production will amount to 354,500 MT (or 102.8 percent compared to 2010).

During the reported period of 2010, the country produced 347.1 million eggs, that is 1 million eggs higher (or 100.3 percent more) compared to last year. The growth in egg production has reached 6.6 percent.

By the end of 2010 the country will produce 373.68 million eggs, which is 101.2 percent higher compared to the same period of 2009. According to the Ministry of Agriculture, egg production in 2011 will amount to 382.94 million eggs (that is 101.9 percent higher compared to 2010).

Source: Meatinfo News Service (www.meatinfo.ru); Translated by: usapeec.kz

Tajikistan



Tajikistan will reduce imports of poultry meat and eggs

Tajikistan will significantly reduce imports of eggs and poultry meat in 2011 due to increase in domestic production.

According to the General Director of “Ptitseprom” (state poultry plant), Mashokir Nazarov, they fully meet the demand for poultry meat and eggs in Sughd region. Mr. Nazarov said that Sughd region has almost stopped importing these products from abroad.

General Director of “Ptitseprom” said that there are 13 operating poultry plants in the region, and they fully meet the needs of the region. Starting 2011 “Ptitseprom” intends to deliver products to other regions of the country, in particularly to Dushanbe. He added that in 2011 a new poultry plant will start operating in Matcha region. And even today the production of poultry meat and eggs in this region exceeds the demand for these products. Mr. Nazarov also noted that production of poultry meat in 2010 has amounted to 362 MT.

According to the Ministry of Agriculture of Tajikistan, in 2010 the country produced 123.4 million eggs, which is by 32.5 million eggs more than it was produced in 2009. By the end of 2010, the production of eggs will reach 140 million. In 2010 the country has imported 5,500 MT of eggs, which is by 879 MT less than in 2009.

Source: Avesta. Tj Information Agency (www.avesta.tj); Translated by: usapeec.kz



*Kazakhstan poultry import statistics over January-October 2010**

Partner Country	Value	Quantity
World	95,709.7	105,251.0
United States	69,170.4	87,363.6
Ukraine	21,561.6	13,931.6
Russia	3,194.2	1,742.8
Poland	906.2	1,303.8
Brazil	504.2	552.0
Lithuania	185.2	160.0
Other	187.9	197.3

Value Unit: Thousands of USD

Volume Unit: MT

* Source: Customs Control Committee under the Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan.

* Share of U.S. in total volume of poultry imports into Kazakhstan during January-October 2010 made up 83 percent.

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and USAPEEC CAEE Office*

