

## **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCREDITATION OF SPICE NURSERIES**

Genuineness and good health is paramount for ensuring high quality in planting materials. Hence under accreditation programme, DASD will grant graded recognition based on the infrastructure, production system & quality parameters of planting material and management practices adopted. The general requirements for accreditation are as under: -

- Shall have own block of mother plants and ensure varietal purity of the planting materials produced
- Have proper infrastructure facilities for production of quality planting materials
  - Facility for potting media preparation and facility for work shed
  - Proper irrigation facility should be there
- Ensure clear labelling/tagging of the variety propagated
- Planting materials for sale should have proper label and tag for each variety
- Follow standard operating procedure for good nursery management practices (available in [www.spicenurseries.in](http://www.spicenurseries.in))
- Ensure production of healthy seedlings, free from diseases, pests and nutrient deficiencies. Nurseries should follow technically prescribed method for plant protection
- Maintain separate register for production (stock) and sale of seedlings along with the receipts/ bills
- Calendar of operations should be displayed in the nursery in the form of flow chart
- Have sufficient skilled and technical manpower
- Have minimum connectivity to nursery by road or rail