



27th April 2026

Dear Todd,

In connection with the signing on this date of the India-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement ("the Agreement"), I have the honour to confirm the following understandings reached between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of New Zealand (collectively as "the Parties"), on the trade in organic food and agricultural products, which reads as follows:

1. The Parties have negotiated an interim Mutual Recognition Arrangement that facilitates reciprocal trade in organic products based on the acceptance of a mutually accepted third country's standard (Australia) that shall come into effect on the same date the Agreement enters into force.
2. The Parties shall then endeavour to conclude negotiations on a Mutual Recognition Assessment of organics equivalence of their own technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures within 12 months of the date of the Agreement coming into force.

I have the honour to propose that this letter and your letter in reply confirming that your Government shares these understandings, which will come into effect on the date on which the Agreement enters into force, constitute an integral part of the Agreement.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Piyush Goyal

Hon Todd McClay
Minister for Trade and Investment
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