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Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food & Public Distribution
(Storage & Research Division)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 09.5.2021

To,

The Principal Secretary,
Government of Punjab,
Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs,
Anaaj Bhawan, Sector 39-C,
Chandigarh- 160036.

Sub: Request for relaxation in Uniform Specifications of wheat for central pool procurement during RMS 2021-22 in Punjab –reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer your letters dated 16.04.2021, 19.04.2021, 25.04.2021 & 27.04.2021 seeking relaxation in Uniform Specifications of Wheat for Rabi Marketing Season 2021-22 due to unseasonal rainfall in the state of Punjab.

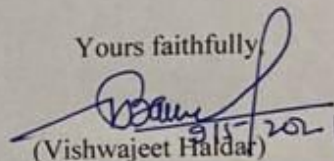
In order to reduce the hardship of farmers and to avoid distress sale of wheat, it has been decided to procure wheat in the state of Punjab with the following relaxation in the uniform specifications of wheat for central pool procurement during the Rabi Marketing Season 2021-22 **with effect from 10th April, 2021:**

- i. The limit of shriveled & broken grains in the districts Amritsar, Tarntaran, Ferozpur, Kapurthala of Punjab may be relaxed up to 8% against the existing limit of 6% under uniform specifications with 1/4th of one full value cut for every additional relaxation of 2% or part thereof. The State government has to deduct imposed value cut from the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of wheat i.e. Rs. 1975/-per quintal, while making payment to the Farmers in the districts Amritsar, Tarntaran, Ferozpur, Kapurthala in Punjab as per details given below:

| S.No. | Details of Value Cut | Wheat under relaxed specifications will be procured with value cut |
|-------|----------------------|--|
| 1. | Upto 6% | Without any value cut |
| 2. | Above 6% and upto 8% | Rs. 4.93/- per quintal |

- ii. Lustre loss wheat containing upto 10% affected kernels may be purchased without any value cut for the Districts Amritsar, Tarntaran, Fazilka, Ferozpur, Kapurthala including SBS Nagar, Jalandhar, Hoshiarpur, Gurdaspur & Pathankot in State Punjab.
- iii. Wheat so procured shall be stacked and accounted for separately.
- iv. Any deterioration of wheat stock procured under Relaxed Norms during storage shall be the sole responsibility of the State Government.
- v. The stock procured under relaxed specification would be consumed in the state itself.
- vi. Any financial or operational implications due to this relaxation will be the responsibility of the State Government.

Yours faithfully,


(Vishwajeet Halder)

Deputy Commissioner (S&R)

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1. Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Food Corporation of India, New Delhi.
2. Executive Director (Commercial) FCI, New Delhi.
3. Executive Director (QC) FCI, New Delhi
4. General Manager (QC), FCI, New Delhi.
5. General Manager (Procurement), FCI, New Delhi.
6. Executive Director (North), FCI, Noida, U.P.
7. The General Manager (Region), FCI, RO, Bay No. 34-38, Sector 31A, Chandigarh.
8. The PPS to Hon'ble Minister, CA, F & PD, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. The PPS to Hon'ble Minister of State, CA, F & PD, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
10. Director(Policy)/Director(FCI)/Director(Movement)/Director(FC/AC)/DC(S&R)/US(Py-I/US(BP)/ AD(QC), Hqrs./ CGAL / IGMRI, Hapur.
11. PPS to Secretary (F&PD)/PS to AS&FA/PS to Additional Secretary (P&FCI)/PS to JS (Storage)/JS (Impex & EOP)
12. Section Officer, FC A/Cs.
13. Director (Technical), NIC, DFPD, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to put in the website of the Department.