The Executive Director (Zones)
Food Corporation of India,
Zonal Office,
NORTH/EAST/WEST/SOUTH/NORTH-EAST
Noida/Kolkata/Mumbai/Chennai/Guwahati.

Subject: Study on Shelf Life of wheat and driage gain/loss in wheat and rice- regarding.


Sir,

Please find herewith enclosed the final report on Shelf Life of wheat and driage gain/loss in wheat and rice conducted by the IGMRI, Hapur and Ludhiana Field Station with Ministry’s recommendation for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.
(Sd-)
(D.R. PARAMESH)
General Manager (QC)

Copy to:-

General Manager (Region), FCI, R.O.,

General Manager (QC)
No. 39-6/2010-S&I
Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution,
Department of Food and Public Distribution
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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
Date 23rd November, 2010.

To

The Executive Director (Commercial),
Food Corporation of India,
16-20, Barakhamba Lane,
New Delhi-110002

Sub: Study on Shelf Life of wheat and driage gain/loss in wheat and rice- regarding.

Sir,

Kindly refer to your DO No. 2(1)/IGMRI/2010/1095 dated 30.9.2010 addressed to JS (P&FCI) on the subject cited above. In this regard, it is to inform you that Director IGMRI, Hapur has been requesting FCI to arrange for 12 stacks of fresh paddy and three stacks of Grade ‘A’ raw rice in FCI region Haryana or Uttarakhand to initiate the study “To assess the driage loss in paddy during one year of storage” and assessment of shelf life of rice stored in covered godown. It is pertinent to mention that these studies could not be initiated last year also due to non supply of paddy and rice stacks by FCI. This has also been requested vide this Department letter of even number dated 20/22.7.2010 which has also been referred in your letter dated 30.9.2010. It is, therefore, requested to issue suitable directions to the concerned field officers for arranging the required paddy and rice stacks for experiment as per the request of Director, IGMRI, Hapur.

The study on “Shelf life of wheat stored in covered godown and under CAP” conducted during 2008-09 has revealed that wheat can be stored in jute bags both in godowns as well as under CAP upto a period of three years without significantly affecting physical and chemical qualities, if periodic pest control measures are taken. A copy of the final project report is enclosed for ready reference.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As stated.

Sd-
(B.C. Joshi)
Deputy Commissioner (S&R)
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