

No. 8-11/2010-S&I
Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food and Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
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To

The Secretary,
Co-operation, Food & Consumer Protection Deptt.,
Government of Tamil Nadu,
Chennai - 600009

Subject: Relaxation in Uniform Specifications of Paddy for Kharif crop (Kharif Marketing Season 2010-11) in Tamil Nadu - regarding.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter No. 21732/BI/2010-11 dated 28.9.2010 seeking relaxation in specification of Paddy for Kharif Marketing Season 2010-11 in respect of Tamil Nadu.

2. In order to reduce hardship of farmers and to avoid distress sale of paddy, it has been decided to procure paddy in the districts of Thanjavur, Thiruvarur and Nagapattinam districts of Tamil Nadu with the following relaxations:-

- (i) The maximum limit in respect of moisture content in paddy grains may be allowed upto 20% against the existing limit of 17% under uniform specification.
 - (ii) The maximum limit in respect of damaged, discoloured, sprouted and weevilled grains may be allowed upto 5% against the existing limit of 4% provided under the uniform specifications.
3. The above relaxation will be applicable with full value cut and will be applicable for current Kharif crop only.
 4. No relaxation will be allowed in out turn ratio.
 5. Separate account will be maintained for such paddy/rice milled therefrom.
 6. The State Government will utilize the milled rice from such paddy only for TPDS/Other Welfare Schemes within the State on over-riding priority.
 7. The above relaxation will be in operation with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

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