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Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food and Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated : 3rd January, 2014

To
The Commissioner-cum-Secretary,
Food, Supplies & Consumer Welfare Department,
Government of Odisha,
Bhubaneswar

Subject:-Relaxation in Uniform Specification of paddy and rice for KMS 2013-14 in Odisha—reg.
Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letters No QC-3/2013-20000 & 20419 dated 25.11.2013 and 3.12.2013 regarding relaxation in specifications of paddy and rice for Kharif Marketing Season 2013-14 and to state that based on the analysis results of paddy and resultant raw & parboiled rice samples and in order to mitigate the sufferings of the farmers and to avoid distress sale as also to ensure acceptance of rice by consumers, the relaxation in uniform specifications of paddy and resultant rice has been allowed as under:

Paddy: Damaged, discoloured, sprouted and weevilled grains is allowed upto 6% against the existing limit of 4% subject to the condition that damaged, sprouted and weevilled grains do not exceed 5% with full value cut.

Raw Rice: The percentage of damaged /slightly damaged grains is relaxed upto 3.5% against the existing limit of 3% in raw rice milled out of relaxed specification paddy without any value cut in case of CMR and with full value cut in case of levy rice.

Parboiled Rice: The percentage of discoloured grains is relaxed upto 7% against the existing limit of 5% in parboiled rice milled out of relaxed specification paddy without any value cut in case of CMR and with half value cut in case of levy rice.

The above relaxations will be applicable for Baragarh, Kalahandi and Sambhalpur districts in Odisha for kharif crop only of KMS 2013-14 and subject to the condition that the rice procured under relaxed specifications will be consumed within the State only for TPDS and other welfare schemes. Separate account of paddy/rice procured under uniform specification and relaxed specification may be maintained.

The above relaxations shall be operative with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

(B.C. Joshi)

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