No. 8-14/2013-S&I
Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food and Public Distribution

To
The Commissioner of Civil Supplies &
Ex-officio Secretary to the Government,
Consumer Affairs, food & Civil Supplies Deptt.,
Civil Supplies Bhawan, Samajiguda,
Hyderabad-500082

(Fax No. 040-23318456)
Subject: Relaxation in the Uniform Specifications of Paddy and Rice for Kharif Marketing Season 2013 - 14 in respect of Andhra Pradesh – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. PI(1)/6163/2013 dated 30.10.2013 and Hon’ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh letter dated 29.10.2013 on the subject cited above and to state that in order to mitigate the hardship of farmers and to avoid distress sale and based on the results of the field samples collected by the joint team of officers from State Government, FCI and this Department, Government has allowed relaxations in the specifications of paddy and rice in Karimnagar, Warangal and Nalgonda districts of Andhra Pradesh as under:-

Paddy
Paddy having damaged, discoloured, sprouted and weevilled grains upto a maximum limit of 12% may be procured against the existing limit of 4% under uniform specifications in respect of both Grade A and Common subject to the condition that damaged, sprouted and weevilled grains together do not exceed 5% with full value cut.

Rice
(i) The percentage of damaged /slightly damaged grains may be relaxed upto 4% 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.
(ii) The percentage of broken grains in raw rice may be relaxed upto 30% against the existing limit of 25% in raw 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 relaxation will be subject to the State Government utilizing the milled rice on overriding priority for TPDS and Other Welfare Schemes within the State.
Separate account should be maintained by the FCI and the State Government for the paddy and rice procured under uniform specification and under relaxed specifications.

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The above relaxations shall be operative with immediate effect and applicable for KMS 2013-14 Kharif crop only.

Yours faithfully,

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10. Section Officer, FC A/Cs
11. Director (Technical), NIC with the request to put in the website of the Department.

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