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

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To

The Principal Secretary,
Food & Civil Supplies Department,
Government of Uttar Pradesh,
Sachivalaya Bhawan,
Lucknow.

(Fax: 0522-2239083)

Subject: Relaxation in the Uniform Specifications of Paddy and Rice for Kharif Marketing Season 2013-14 in respect of Uttar Pradesh—regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 6130/ Mukh. Vik. Adh/ Dha. Kh./2013-14 dated 7.11.2013 and dated 9.12.2013 on the subject cited above and to state that in order to reduce the hardship of farmers and to avoid distress sale as also to ensure that resultant rice is acceptable to consumers and based on the analysis results of paddy and resultant rice samples collected/analysed by the joint team consisting of officers of this Department, FCI and State Government and recommendation of FCI, Government has allowed relaxations in the specifications of paddy and raw rice in the affected Divisions of UP during KMS, 2013-14 as under:

Paddy: Paddy having damaged, discoloured, sprouted and weevilled grains up to a maximum limit of 7% 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: The percentage of damaged /slightly damaged grains may be relaxed up to 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.

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 of paddy/rice procured under uniform specification and relaxed specification should be maintained by the FCI and State Government. These relaxations shall be applicable for Faizabad, Allahabad, Mirzapur, Varanasi, Azamgarh, Gorakhpur, Basti, Devipatan, Merrut, Saharanpur, Moradabad, Bareilly, Agra, Aligarh, Lucknow, Kanpur, Jhansi and Chitrakoot Divisions of UP.

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

Yours faithfully,

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1. Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Food Corporation of India, New Delhi
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5. Executive Director (North), FCI, NOIDA.
6. General Manager, FCI, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow.
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8. PS to MOS (I/C), CA, F&PD.
9. PPS to Secretary (F&PD)/PS to AS&FA/ JS(SRA)/JS(P&FCI)
10. under Secretary, FC A/Cs
11. Director (Technical), NIC with the request to put in the website of the Department.

(Dr. S.C. Bansal)
Deputy Director (S&R)