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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Governor of West Bengal, the High Court, Government Treasury, etc.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Department of Food & Supplies
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No. 757-FS/Seckt./Food/4P-19/2021 (Part-I)

Dated : Kolkata, the 11th March, 2026.

NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Governor was pleased to promulgate necessary Guidelines for empanelment of flour mills/atta chakki to convert wheat into atta and its distribution in pursuance of clauses 61 and 62 of the West Bengal Targeted Public Distribution System (Maintenance & Control) Order, 2024;

AND WHEREAS, it has been observed that, in certain cases, strict interpretation of the existing provisions of Schedule A (Part-II) of the said Guidelines has resulted in procedural difficulties and unintended hardship, particularly in respect of applications which were otherwise eligible and were pending consideration;

AND WHEREAS, it has been considered necessary to clarify certain provisions contained in the Schedule A (Part-II) of the of the said Guidelines in order to ensure fair, uniform and rational application thereof, as well as for effective implementation and smooth functioning of the scheme and:

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clauses 61 and 62 of the West Bengal Targeted Public Distribution System (Maintenance & Control) Order, 2024, *read* with clause 27 (1) (iv) of the West Bengal Targeted Public Distribution System (Empanelment of Flour Mill, Milling of Atta and its distribution) Guidelines, 2024, published *vide* this Department notification No. 3842-FS/Seckt./Food/4P-19/2021 (Pt. IV) dated 1st October, 2024, (hereinafter referred as the said Guidelines), in respect of the said Guidelines, the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following direction/clarification as follows:—

Direction/Clarification

Schedule-A

(Part-11)

Schedule of penalty/fine to be imposed upon the Flour mill for contraventions of the provisions of the West Bengal Targeted Public Distribution System (Empanelment of Flour mill, Milling of *atta* and its distribution) Guidelines, 2024

Sl. No.	Offences/contravention under relevant Clause	Penalty for first offence/contravention	Penalty for second time offence/contravention of same provision	Penalty on third time or subsequent offence/contravention of same provision
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	Committing offence under clause 26 for an offence of black marketing or misappropriation or siphoning off public distribution commodities meant for public distribution	<p>Fine of minimum of 1.25 (one decimal two five) times and maximum of 1.5 (one decimal five) times the economic cost of the public distribution commodities and also an additional fine as below:</p> <p>Note: Minimum 1.25 (one decimal two five) times and maximum of 1.5 (one decimal five) times means recovery of entire economical cost of the P.D.S. Commodities involved in the matter along with a minimum fine of 0.25 (a quarter) time and maximum fine of 0.5 (half) time of the said economic cost and also an additional fine as mentioned at sl. No. 2.</p>	<p>Fine of minimum of 1.5 (one decimal five) times and maximum of 2 (two) times the economic cost of the public distribution commodities and also an additional fine and/or reduce the allocation of wheat for upto 6 months as below:</p> <p>Note: Minimum 1.5 (one decimal five) times and maximum of 2 (two) times means the recovery of entire economical cost of the P.D.S. in Commodities involved the matter along with a minimum fine of 0.5 (half) time. and maximum fine of 1 (one) time of the economic cost and also an additional fine mentioned at sl. no.2 and/or reduce the allocation of wheat for upto 6 months.</p>	<p>Fine of minimum of 2 (two) times the economic cost of the public distribution commodities. and also an additional fine and/or terminate his empanelment as below:</p> <p>Note: Minimum 2 (two) times means the recovery of entire economical cost of the P.D.S. Commodities involved in the matter along with a fine of 1 (one) time of the said economic cost of the public distribution commodities and also an additional fine as mentioned at sl. No. 2 and/or terminate his empanelment as below:</p>

Provided that nothing contained in this clarification shall affect any action already taken or any case finally disposed of prior to the date of issuance of this clarification.

This clarification will be the part and parcel of the West Bengal Targeted Public Distribution System (Empanelment of Flour mill, Milling of *atta* and its distribution) Guidelines, 2024, and all other terms and conditions of the said Guidelines shall remain unchanged and in force.

By order of the Governor,

PARWEZ AHMAD SIDDIQUI,
Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal
Department of Food & Supplies