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ORDER

Subject: Inter district tagging of Rice Mill

Provision for tagging a Rice Mill with a purchase center is guided by clause no. 13 of the order of 'Policy and Guidelines for Procurement of Paddy from Farmers at MSP and Delivery of CMR during KMS 2025-26' issued vide no. 4929-FS/Sectt./Food/4P-08/2025 dated 15th October, 2025. The empanelled Rice Mills of a district are available for tagging at the end of DCF&S and CMR Agencies for delivery of paddy procured from a purchase center subject to conditions detailed at Clause 13.2 of the said order.

The number of empanelled Rice Mills and simultaneous Paddy Holding Limit (PHL) in some districts is not sufficient to cater to all the Purchase Centers at the peak procurement season. In such cases, District Level Monitoring Committee (DLMC) of the Rice Mill deficient districts may review the availability of the empanelled Rice Mills within the district along with their PHL for required tagging with the Purchase Centers.

DLMC, if required, may send the proposal for inter district tagging of Rice Mills from neighbouring districts considering the minimal distance from purchase Center to the Rice Mills. All such Rice Mills of other district within same range of distance should be considered by the DLMC in the interest of smooth procurement process.

Hence, in the interest of smooth procurement, farmers convenience as well as for optimal utilization of PHL of the Rice Mills as a whole, in partial modification of the aforesaid order, the Government in F&S Department has further decided that the Rice Mills situated at the border area of a district will be made available for tagging with the purchase centers of the peripheral blocks of the neighbouring Rice Mill deficient districts for delivery of paddy procured from those purchase centers subject to the similar conditions detailed at Clause 13.2 of the aforesaid order.

Role of DCF&S: DCF&S of Rice Mill deficient district shall immediately execute Agreement (BA-I) with all such concerned Rice Mills notified to be eligible for tagging with the Purchase Centers of the neighbouring district. CMR delivery of such paddy delivered to the Rice Mills of outside districts shall be received on priority basis. The Rice Mills of adjoining district with whom Agreement is executed will be treated at par with the Rice Mill of the concerned district and tagging with the purchase centers will

be made accordingly. Performance regarding timely tagging of authorized representatives, vehicle and adequate number of labourers, timely receipt and dispatch of paddy purchased from such purchase centers and delivery of CMR, etc. of such Rice mills in both the parent districts and outside districts shall be reviewed by the concerned DCF&S regularly and appropriate corrective action taken, if required.

Role of Purchase Officers: Purchase Officers (P.O.) of the concerned Purchase Centers of Rice Mill deficient districts should proactively and without discrimination issue programme, coordinate with such rice mills and ensure presence of such Rice Mills on the date of purchase to avoid any disruption in procurement process. P.O. shall dispatch the procured paddy on the same date of purchase itself.

Role of Rice Mills: All Rice Mills identified for tagging with the neighbouring district shall execute Agreement (BA-I), immediately after notification of inter district tagging within 3 days of issuance of such order. Rice Mills shall abide by the tagging done by the concerned DCF&S of Rice Mill deficient districts. Rice Mill cannot refuse either to execute Agreement or not to attend the purchase centers of other districts so tagged. Rice Mill shall attend the tagged Center with required labourers, GPS tagged VLTS enabled vehicles and representative for lifting of paddy. All the roles and responsibilities of Rice Mills mentioned in Clause 16 of the 'Policy and Guidelines for Procurement of Paddy from Farmers at MSP and Delivery of CMR during KMS 2025-26' will be applicable mutatis - mutandis.

All the other terms and conditions, roles and responsibilities of Rice Mill tagging with a purchase center will remain same.

This issued with the approval of the authority.

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