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**ORDER**

Subject: Extension of validity of relaxation in Paddy Holding Limit (PHL) for  
rice mills under KMS 2025-26

Whereas the Department of Food & Supplies, Government of West Bengal, vide Order No. 4929-FS dated 15.10.2025, issued the "Policy and Guidelines for Procurement of Paddy from Farmers at MSP and Delivery of CMR for KMS 2025-26";

And Whereas, as per para 11.15 of the said guidelines, relaxation in Paddy Holding Limit (PHL) was allowed for empanelled rice mills under Category A, B, and C, subject to submission of prescribed Bank Guarantee (BG) and execution of Agreements BA-I and BA-II within stipulated timelines;

And Whereas, para 11.16 of the said guidelines stipulated that such relaxation in PHL would remain valid up to 31st March, 2026;

And Whereas considerable problems in procuring FRK has caused delay in delivery of Custom Milled Rice for several months;

Therefore, to ensure smooth, uninterrupted, and hassle-free procurement of paddy from farmers and to avoid any operational difficulties, the Governor is pleased to hereby order that

1. The validity of the relaxation in Paddy Holding Limit (PHL), as provided under para 11.16 of the "Policy and Guidelines for Procurement of Paddy from Farmers at MSP and Delivery of CMR for KMS 2025-26", is hereby extended from **31.03.2026 to 15.04.2026**.
2. During the extended period, the existing terms and conditions governing such relaxation shall remain unchanged.
3. Rice mills shall expedite delivery of resultant Custom Milled Rice (CMR), which will correspondingly improve their PHL position.
4. All concerned authorities and agencies shall take necessary steps to ensure strict compliance with this Order.

This Order shall take immediate effect.

By order of the Governor,



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