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ORDER

Sub: Revised modalities of submission of online claims by Dealers and Distributors and release of payment

Online billing module for submission of FPS Dealers claim of Margin and Distributors claim of Margin including TR was introduced vide Order No.FIN/CPC/21-22/191 dated-27.05.2021. Subsequently the claim of TR for door-step delivery at a distance beyond 8 k.m was also included into the purview of Online billing module vide Order No. 520-DF/TR dated-13.06.2022. In addition, FPS Dealers claim of (i) Additional Margin for distribution of food grains under Duare Ration Scheme (ii) Fixed Commission and (iii) e-KYC commission were also included under the purview of online billing module for submission of claim in online mode and release of payment.

- 2. At present each FPS Dealer is submitting two claims in every month. One for the claim of (i) Margin for all items (both NFSA and Non-NFSA) incl. Additional Commission for Duare Ration & e-KYC Commission and (ii) a separate bill for Fixed Commission @Rs.5000/- for Duare Ration. Similarly, Distributors are also submitting two separate claims, one for Margin and TR (Godown to Distributor point and Distributor Point to FPS Point upto 8 k.m) for all items (both NFSA and Non-NFSA) on lifting Quantity and a separate bill for the claim of TR for doorstep delivery beyond 8 k.m distance on doorstep quantity for both NFSA and Non-NFSA items. In present system, all the claims are released from the Bank Account of the F&S Department against the consolidated claims i.e. both NFSA and Non-NFSA Items.
- 3. Recently O/o the Principal Accountant General (A&E), WB has suggested for making all payments out of State Budgetary allocation through IFMS-Treasury system only. Consequent upon the change in scheme type (Central Sector to Central Sponsor) for NFSA by GoI, it has been made compulsory to release the claim of FPS Dealers Margin and cost of handling of food grains under NFSA through SNA account mapped with PFMS. Thus, it was under active consideration of the F&S Department since sometime past to redesign the online billing module so that FPS Dealers and Distributors claims are generated scheme wise and accordingly release of payment scheme wise viz. TR and Margin of NFSA, TR and Margin of Non-NFSA Items, Additional Commission and Fixed Commission for Duare Ration incl. e-KYC separately as per funding pattern by GoI and State Government.
- 4. Accordingly the Online Billing module has been redesigned as below:-
 - (a) Henceforth, w.e.f. the claim month of April, 2023 each FPS Dealer shall submit a single bill through their login for all items viz. (i) Margin of NFSA/Non-NFSA Items (ii) Additional Commission (iii) Fixed Commission for Duare Ration and (iv) Commission for e-KYC. There shall be no need to submit the claim bill for Fixed Commission separately.
 - (b) Similarly, Distributors shall also submit a single bill through login for all items viz. (i) Margin and (ii) TR (Godown to Distributor point and Distributor Point to FPS Point upto 8 k.m on lifting Quantity and (iii) the claim of TR for doorstep delivery beyond 8 k.m distance on doorstep quantity on both NFSA and Non-NFSA items.

5. Revised Payment Modalities:

- (A) The consolidated claim bill shall be processed through existing hierarchy SCFS/RO > Staff of DCFS/DDR > Accounts Officer > DCFS/DDR > Staff of DF > Approver > DF.
- (B) FPS Dealers claim of Margin **on NFSA items** will be released separately at the rate of margin fixed by GoI for NFSA items (i.e. Rs.90/- per quintal at present). Additional margin over and above the NFSA rate allowed by State Government will be released separately.
- (C) FPS Dealers claim of Margin on all **Non-NFSA items** incl. Special packages will be released at the rate of margin fixed by State Government separately. This shall include the claim of additional margin on NFSA items over the GoI rate [Refer Point No.B above].
- (D) Claim of Additional Commission for Distribution of food grains under Duare Ration and Fixed Commission @Rs.5000/- per month will be released separately.
- (E) Similarly Commission for doing e-KYC will also be released separately..
- (F) Distributors claim of TR (lifting Point to FPS Point) **on NFSA items** will be released separately at the rate of TR fixed by GoI on NFSA Items (Maximum Rs.70/- Per quintal at present). Amount of TR above the maximum ceiling fixed by GoI (i.e. above Rs.70/- per quintal) will be released separately as the cost is borne by State Government.
- (G) Distributors claim of TR (lifting Point to FPS Point) on all Non-NFSA items incl. Special packages and TR on NFSA items above the maximum ceiling of TR fixed by GOI [Refer Point No.F above] will be released separately.
- (H) Distributors claim of Margin on all items viz. NFSA, Non-NFSA and Special packages will be paid separately as it is fully borne by State Government.
- (I) Director of finance shall continue to make payment of online claims as per existing procedure. Dy.Director of Finance [DDO Code-CABFSF002] will act as DDO for all online payments out of the State Budgetary Heads through IFMS-Food Portal integration.
- (J) Director of Finance shall make payment of TR and Margin on NFSA items from SNA Account through PFMS and other claims which are fully funded by State Government through IFMS only. In case of payment through Non-SNA Bank Account/Non-IFMS mode prior approval of the Secretary, Food & Supplies Department shall be obtained invariably.
- (K) FPS Dealers and Distributors shall be able to view the status of the submitted claim through their login.

This order shall take effect from the claim month of April, 2023. All previous claims upto the month of March, 2023 shall be processed through existing SLIA integration mode.

Additional Secretary
Food & Supplies Department

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- 6. Director of Rationing, Food & Supplies Department, West Bengal.
- 7. Director Finance, Food & Supplies Department, West Bengal.
- 8. Financial Advisor, Food & Supplies Department, West Bengal.
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- 14. Deputy Director of Rationing, _15. IT Cell (for website uploading)
- 16. General Secretary, Distributors and Dealers Association (All).

17. Guard file.

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